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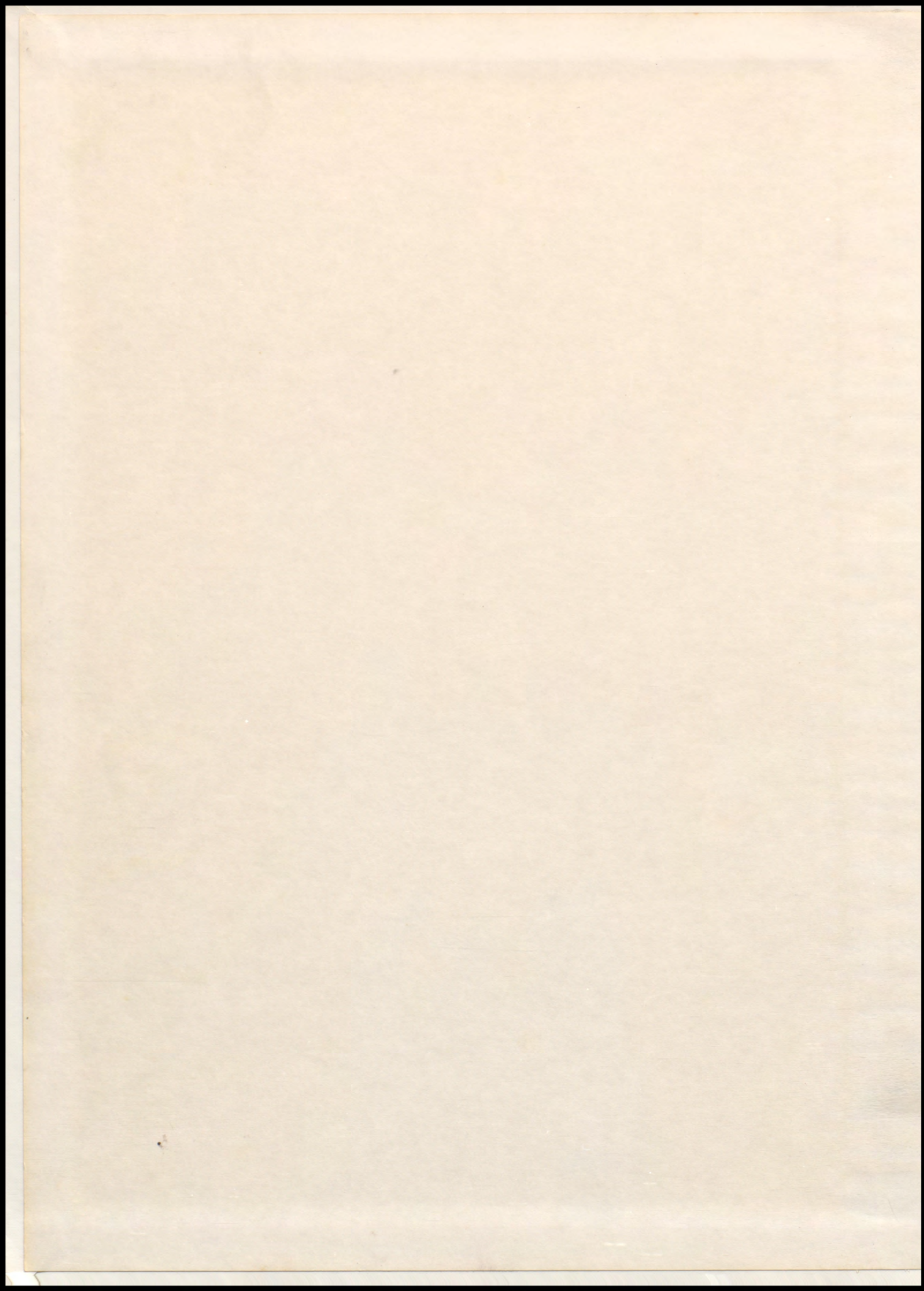
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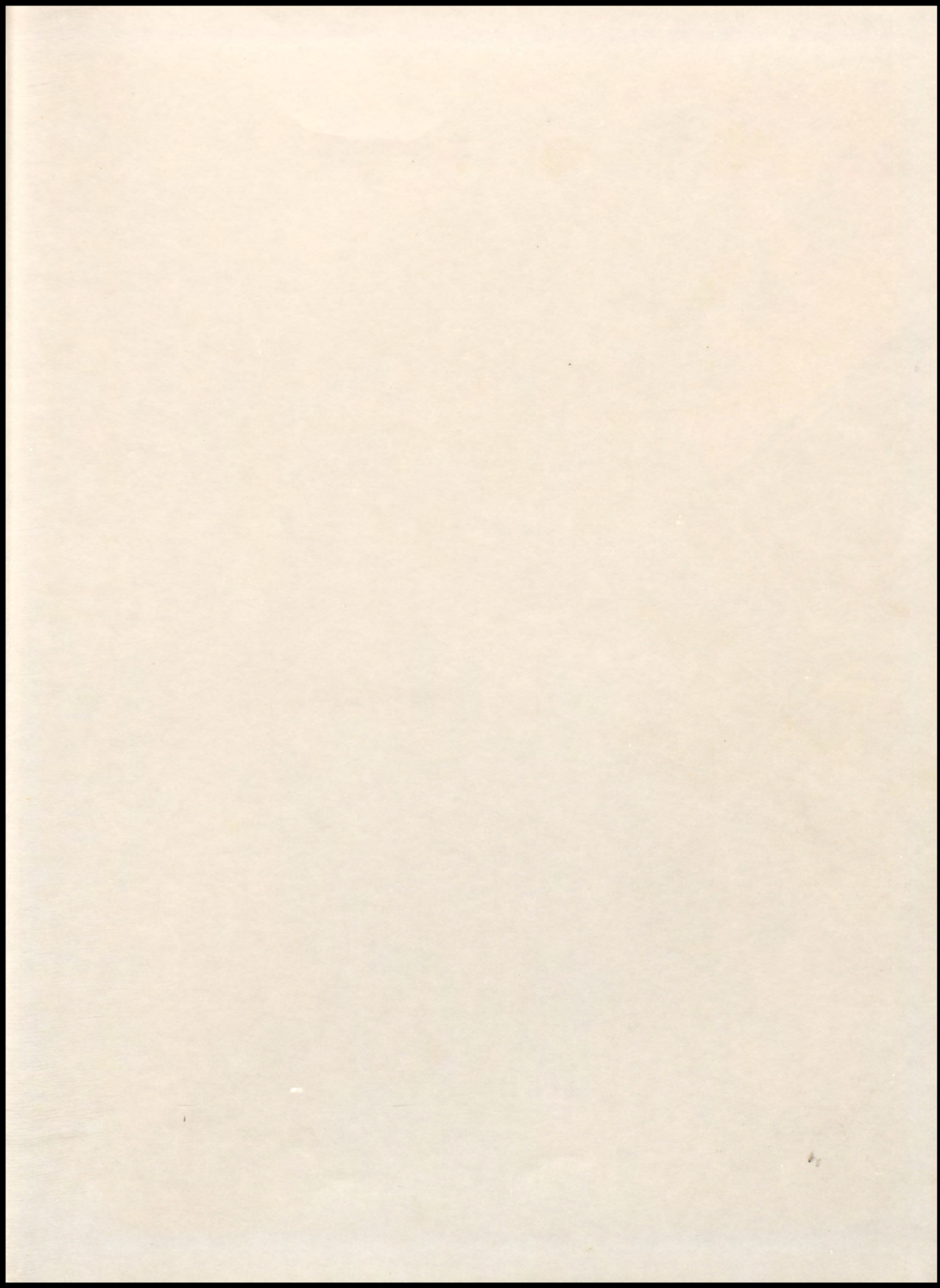
# HERE'S LOOKING AT THEN YOU

**Bear Memories 1986**

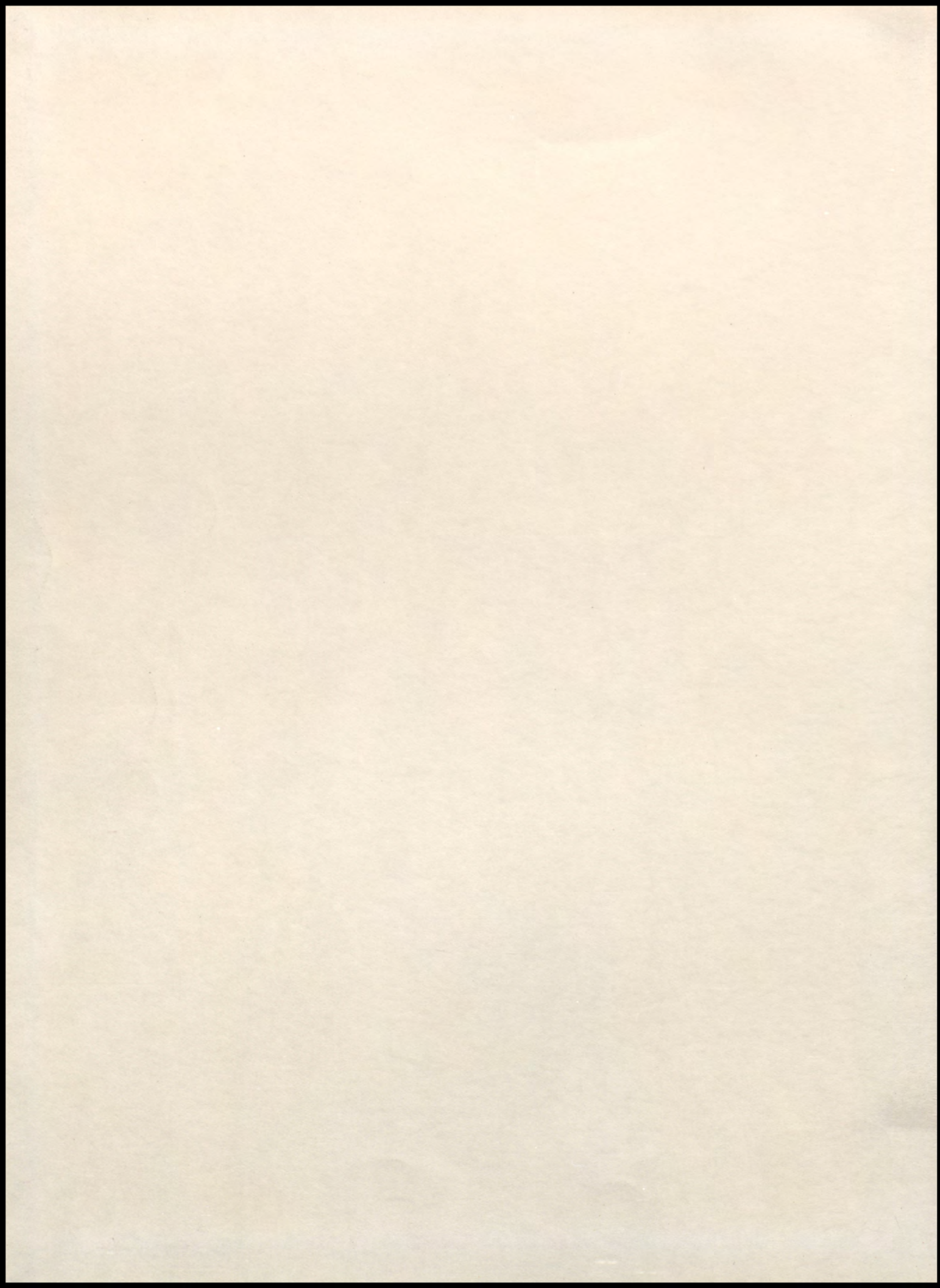




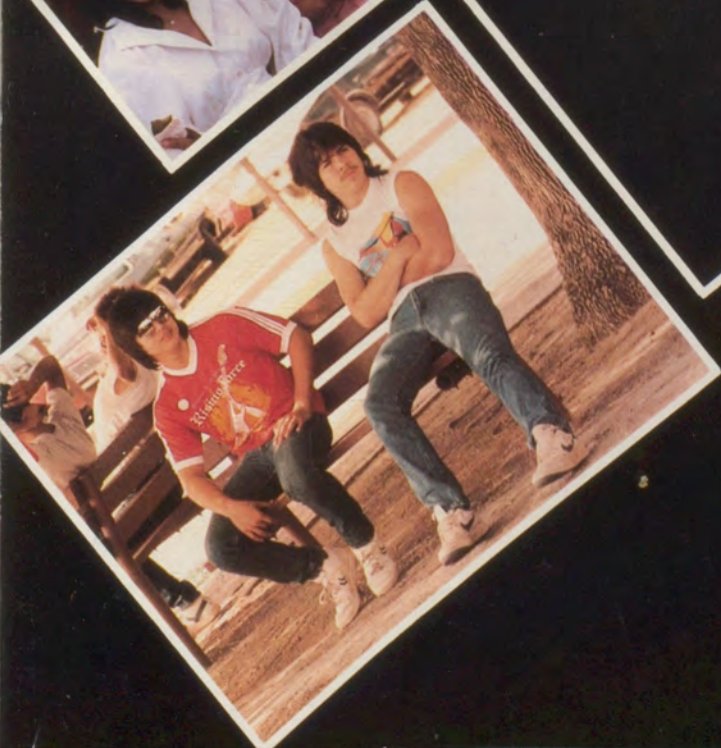
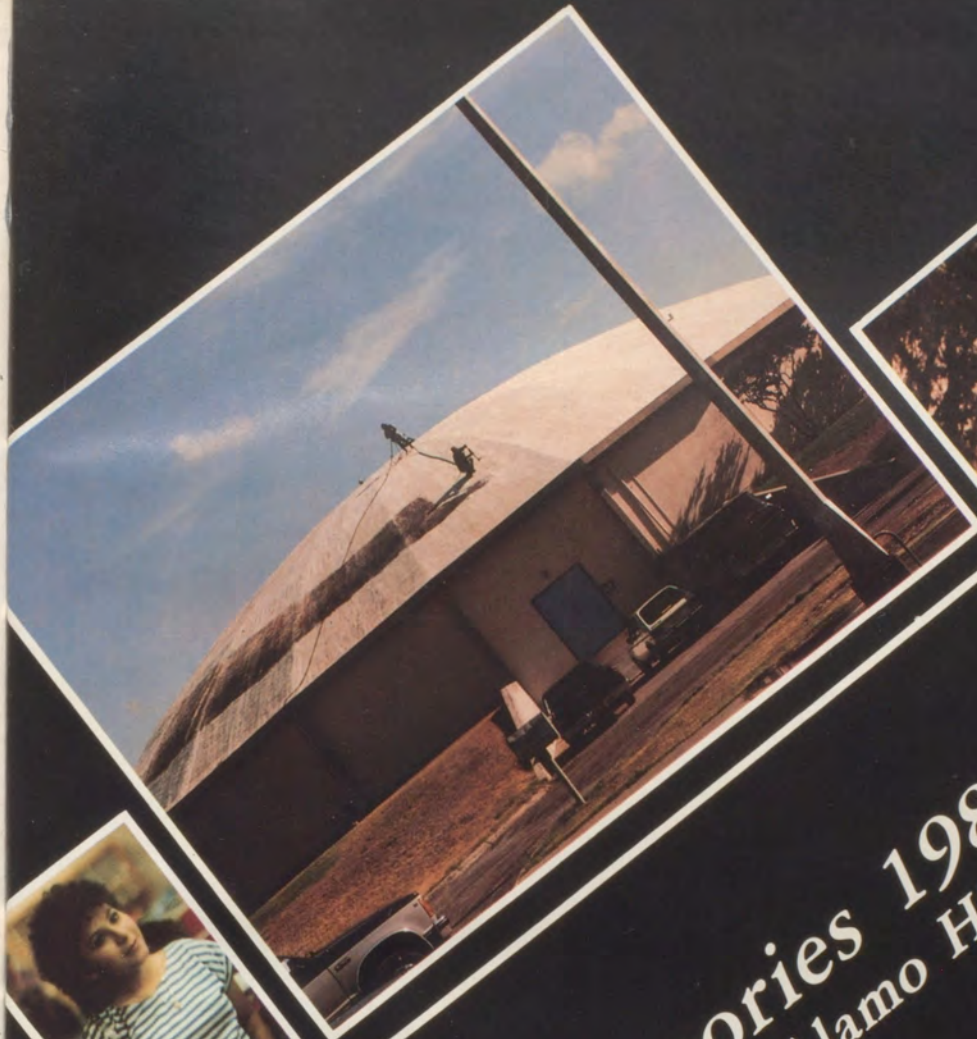




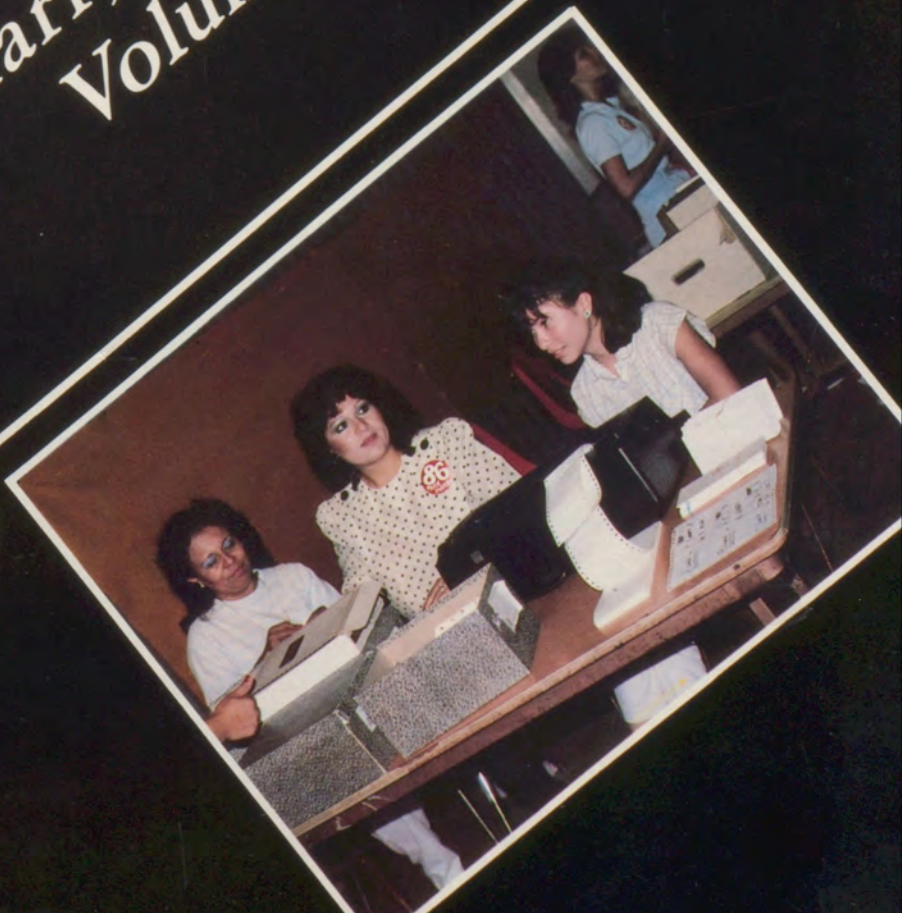








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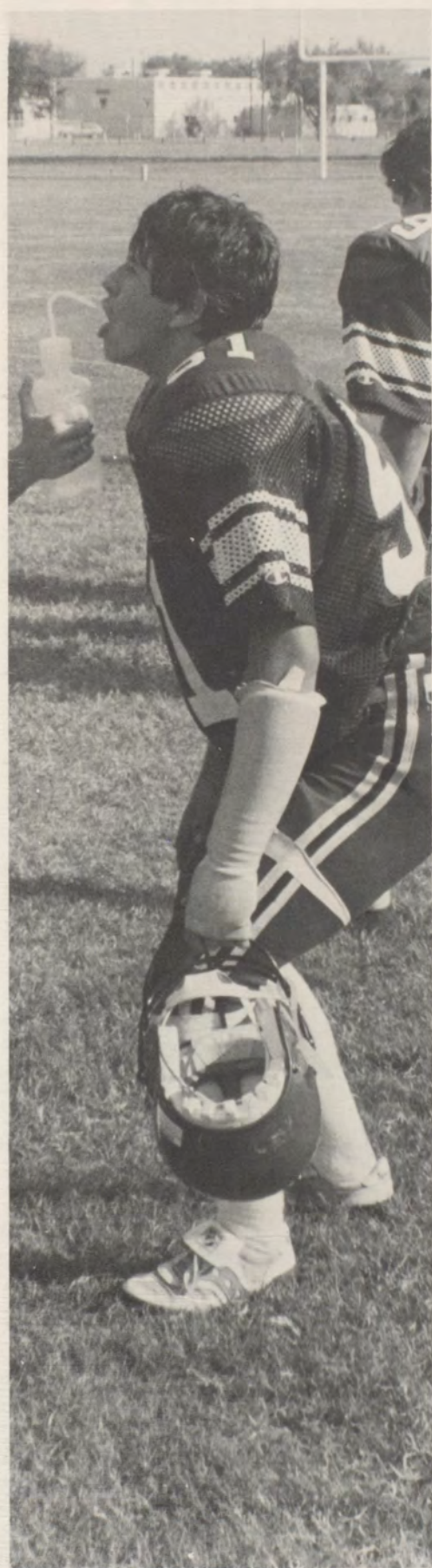


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***SPORTS***  
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***PEOPLE***  
198



***FAVORITES***  
230



# HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU . . . THEN



*Myrna Hernandez and Cindy Chapa escape the campus monkeys.*

*Linda Gonzalez, Miss Alamo, waves to her admirers.*



*Edward Gonzalez and Danny Leal go over their techniques for picking up girls.*

*Pac, Ruben, Cruz and Fred Show their patriotism at the 4th of July Fajita Cook Off.*





A yearbook is a photographic history of what happened during the school year.

There are many different commodities that make up a yearbook. The three most important being 1.) photography, 2.) copy, and last but not least, 3.) theme. Yes, the yearbook does have a theme.

The 1985-86 P.S.J.A Bear Memories staff was proud to present their award winning theme, "Here's Looking at You . . . Then and Now", to you, the students. The theme represents the joyous feeling a person gets when they look back at their High School years, while it also states that all you can do is reminisce, there is absolutely no way a person can escape the real world. In other words, Here's looking at you . . . Then represents the fantasy world of how you looked during the school year. As you travel through the yearbook, you see how you were then. The back cover, stating Here's looking at you . . . Now., brings you back from your dreams, reminisce world, to the world of reality.

ROTC Officers kick off another season with pre-game ceremonies.



Yvette Thornburg having another tantrum. Ricky L., Melida R., and Mario G. show their dance committee dedication.





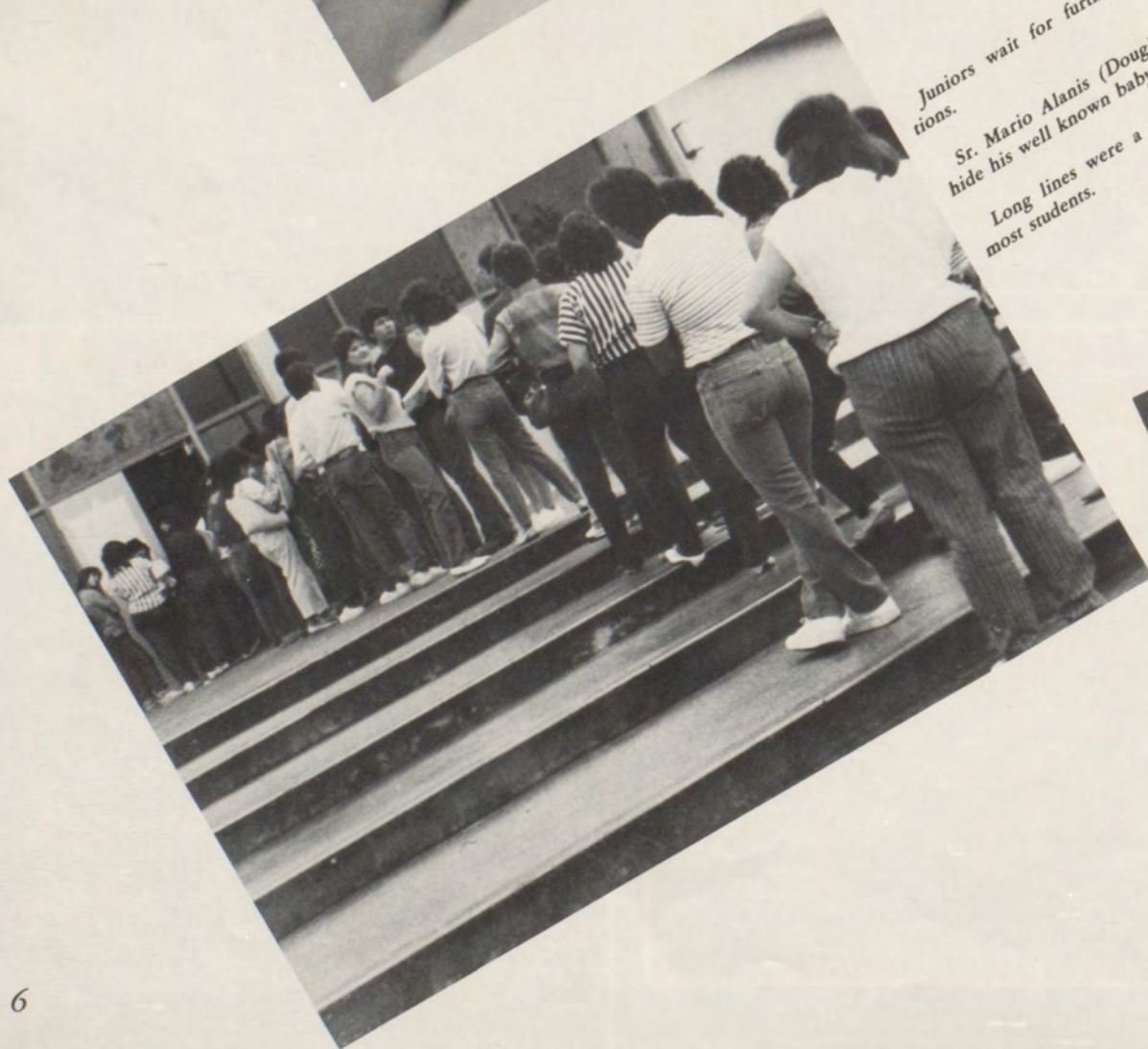
# REGISTRATION: MASS CONFUSION



Juniors wait for further instructions.

Sr. Mario Alanis (Doug) tries to hide his well known babyface.

Long lines were a real drag for most students.





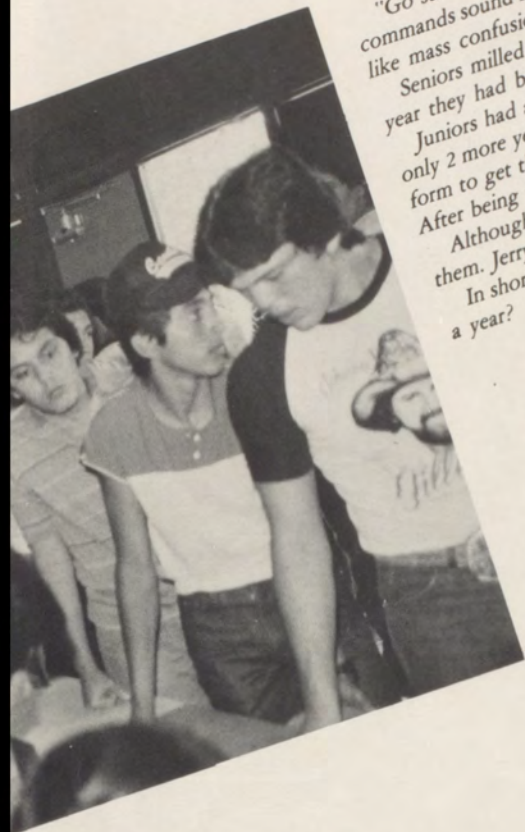
"Go stand in that line!" "Go get forms A,B,C, and D!" "Fill out forms D and E!" "NEXT!" Do these commands sound familiar to you? If they do than you must have been at this year's registration. If it sounds like mass confusion, it was.

Seniors milled around anxiously wanting to go home. Although they were excited about their Senior year they had been through registration before and they knew that it was, no big deal.

Juniors had a little more to look forward to as they stood in line after line and filled out form after only 2 more years of high school left excited them as they stood in line after line and filled out form after form to get their schedules. Another thing the Juniors had to look forward to was Sophomore Initiation.

After being pushed around all last year the Juniors finally have a chance to get their measure of revenge. Although the Sophomores were glad to finally be in high school registration was complete chaos for them. Jerry Munoz stated, "Registration was crowded and half the time you didn't know where to go!

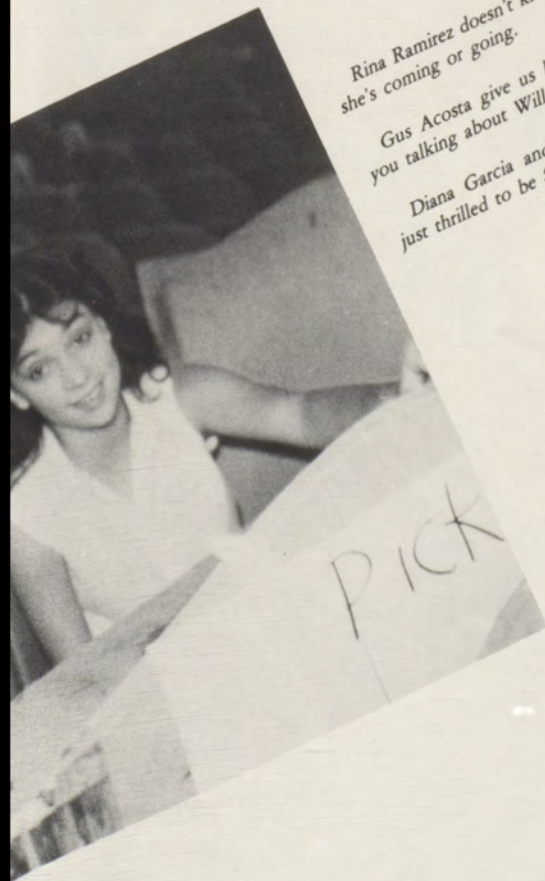
In short registration was just as it was described - mass confusion. Aren't you glad it happens only once a year?



Rina Ramirez doesn't know whether she's coming or going.

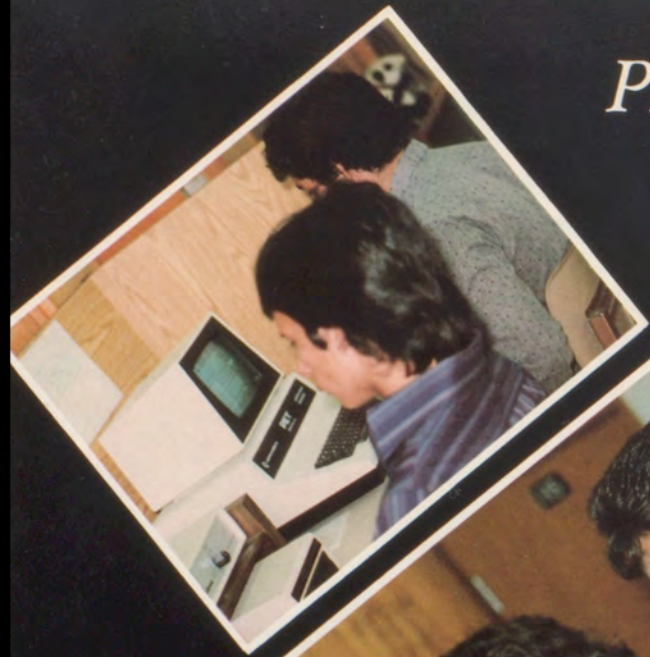
Gus Acosta give us his best "what you talking about Willis."

Diana Garcia and Mike Sweet are just thrilled to be Seniors.





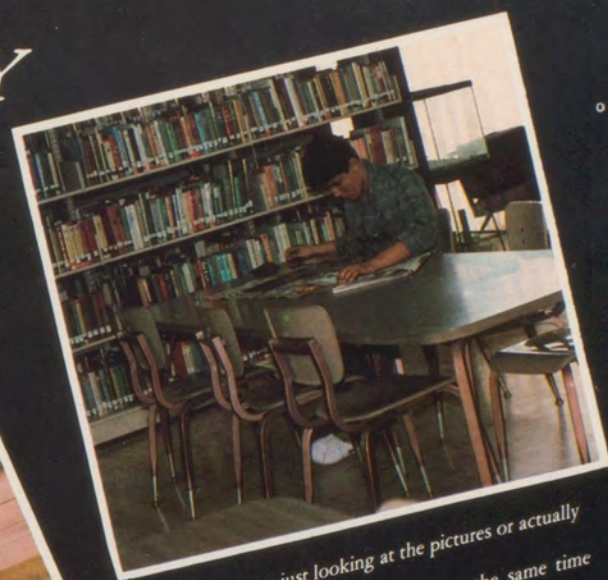
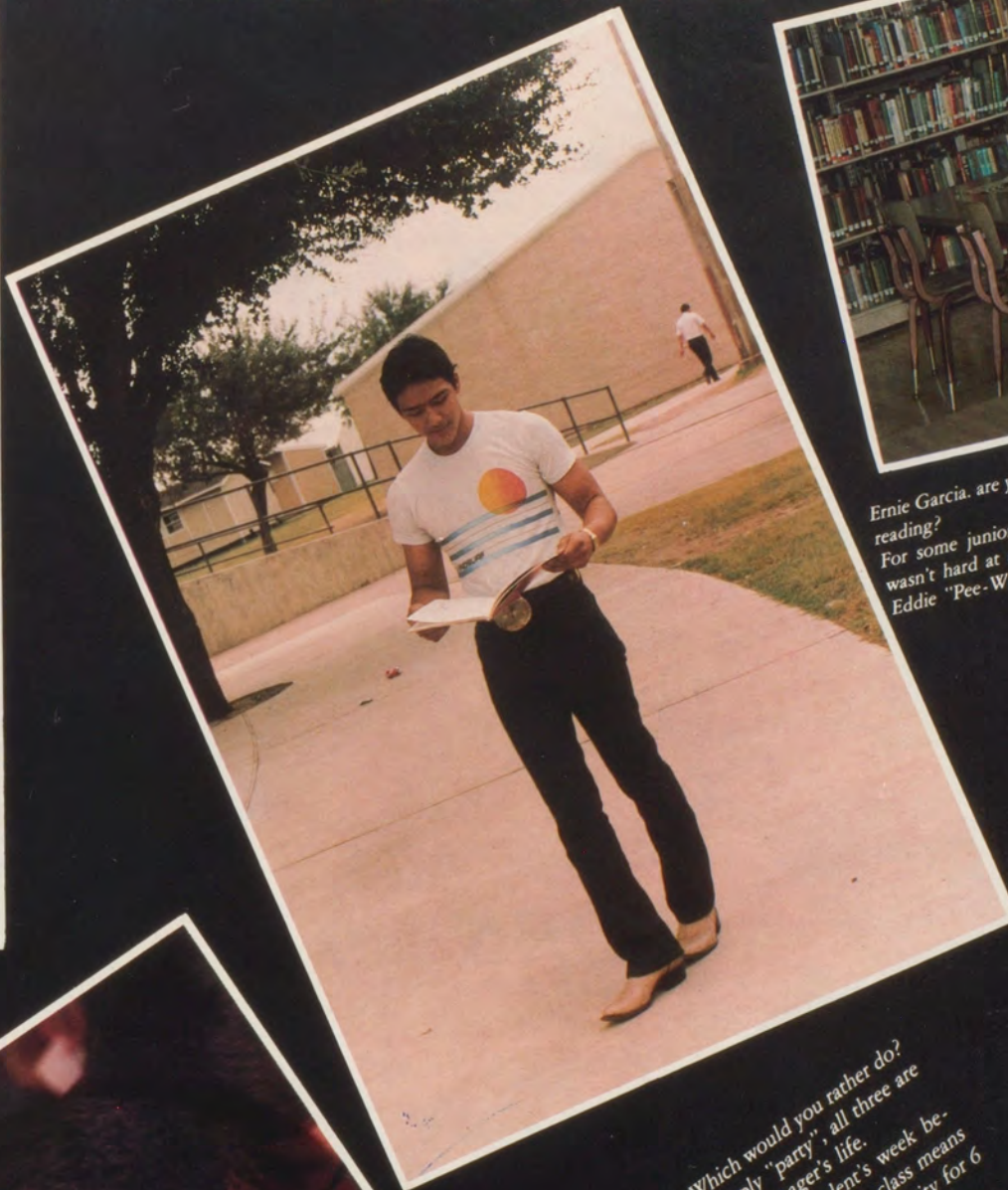
# PEOPLE WHO STUDY



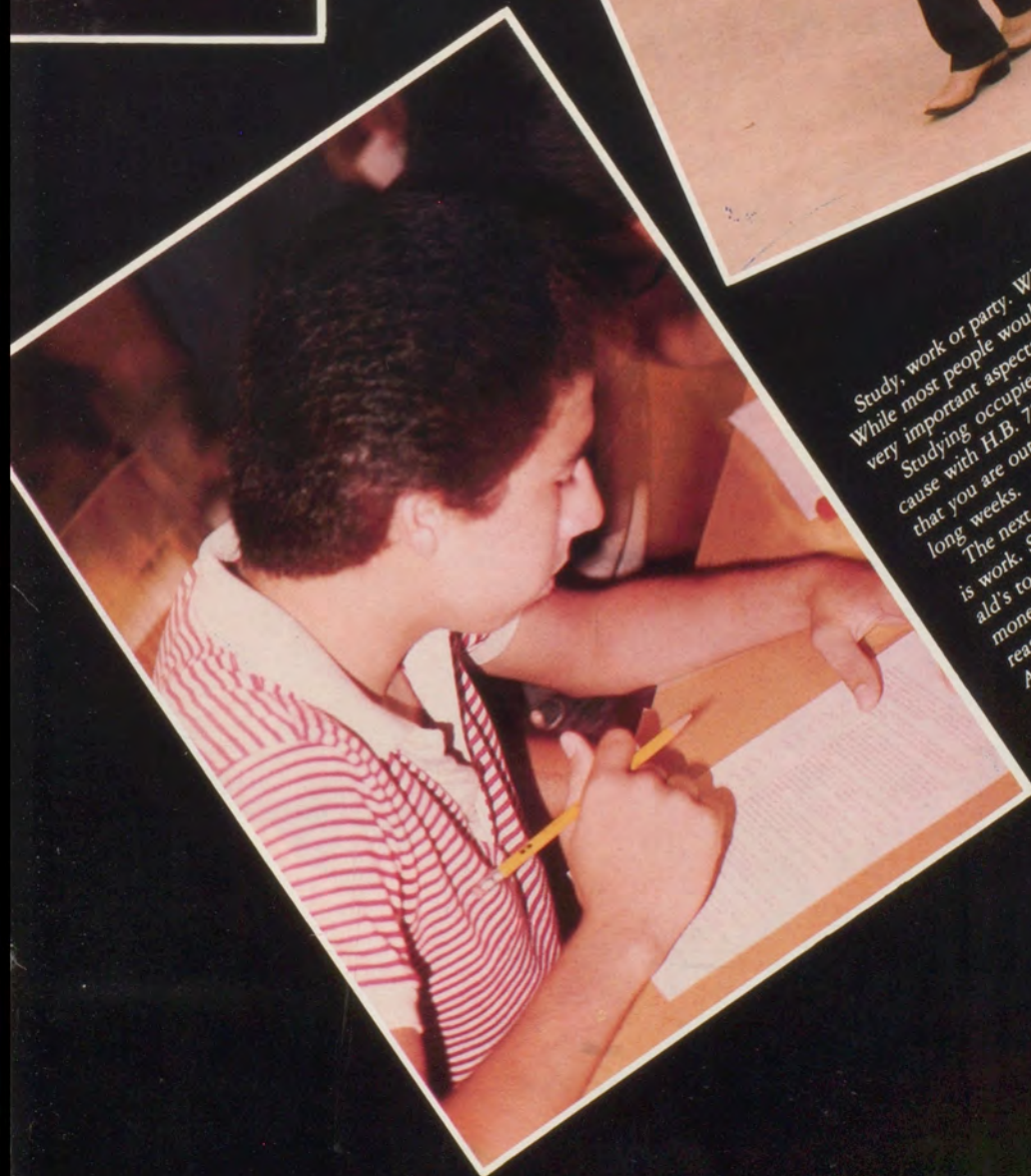
Alicia Estes and the rest of the clan wash another truck.  
Computers always arouse some peoples' interests.  
Homemaking always prepares people for future jobs.  
Work and Play were part of Lilia Trevino's job.  
Partying was a hobby for some people.



# WORK OR PARTY



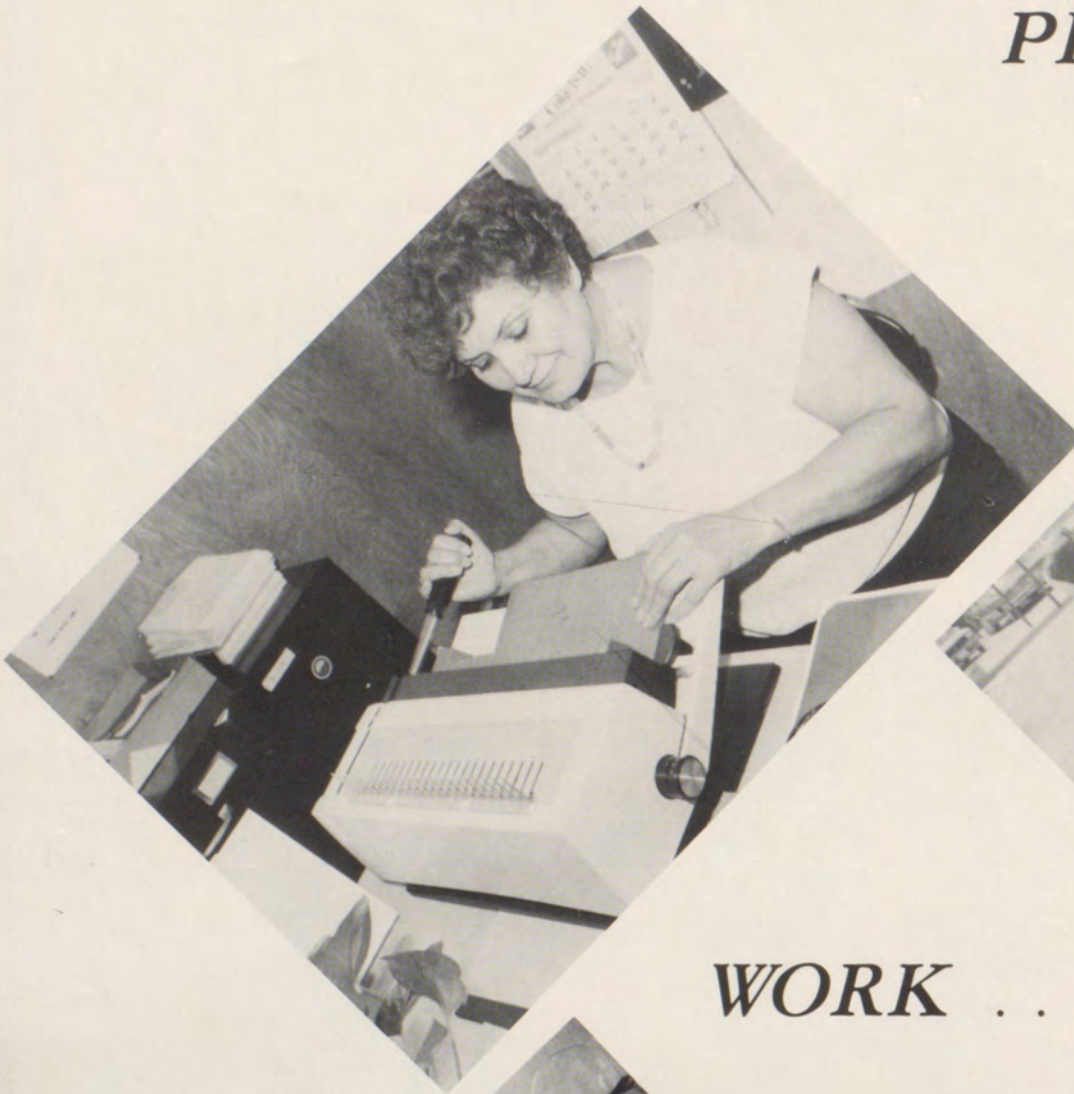
Ernie Garcia, are you just looking at the pictures or actually reading?  
For some juniors, walking and reading at the same time wasn't hard at all.  
Eddie "Pee-Wee" Ruiz, thought this test was a breeze.



Study, work or party. Which would you rather do? While most people would reply "party", all three are very important aspects of a teenager's life.  
Studying occupies most of a student's week because with H.B. 72 in effect, failing one class means that you are out of any extra-curricular activity for 6 long weeks.  
The next thing on a students' long list of priorities is work. Some people work at H.E.B. OR McDon-ald's to earn spending money for college or money to buy a car. Other people work for a different reason. Bearettes work to give a good performance. Athletes work to bring out their best for the big game, and we work to bring out a good yearbook.



# PEOPLE WHO . . .



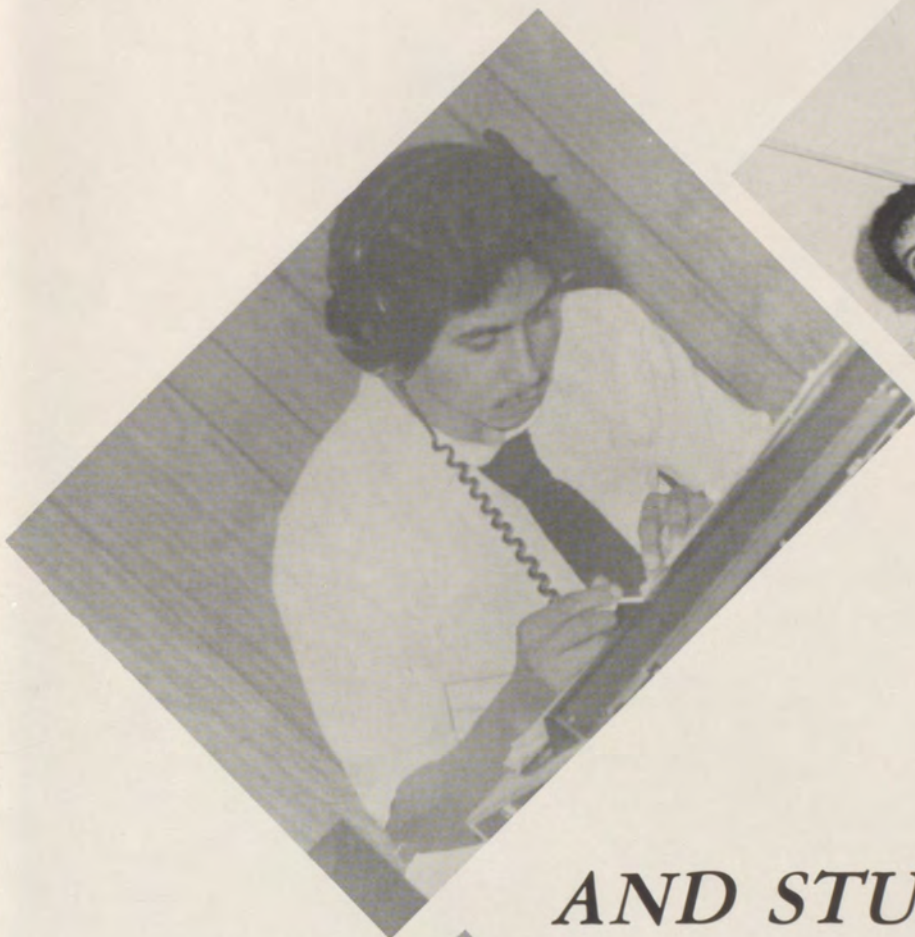
## WORK . . .



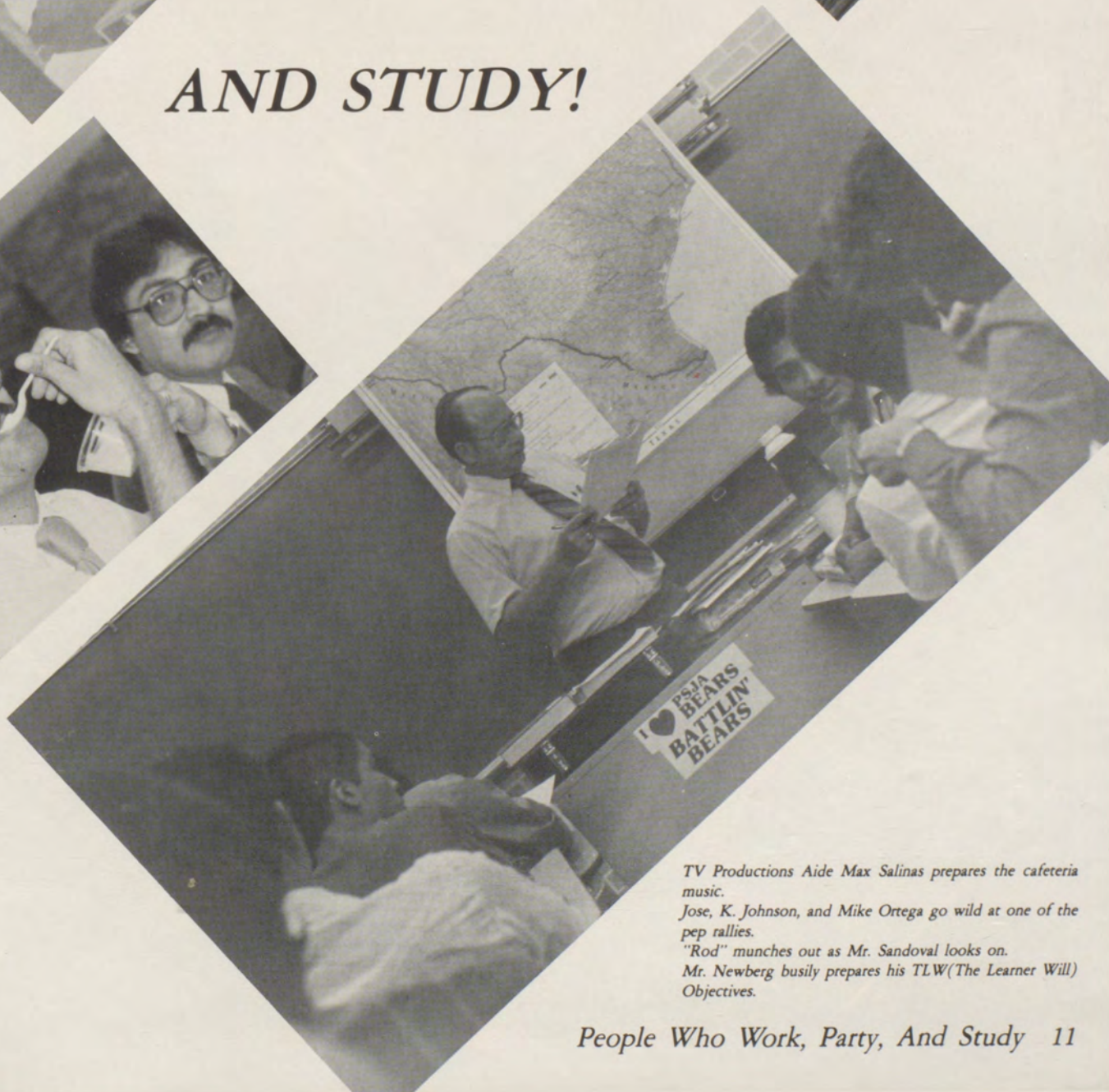
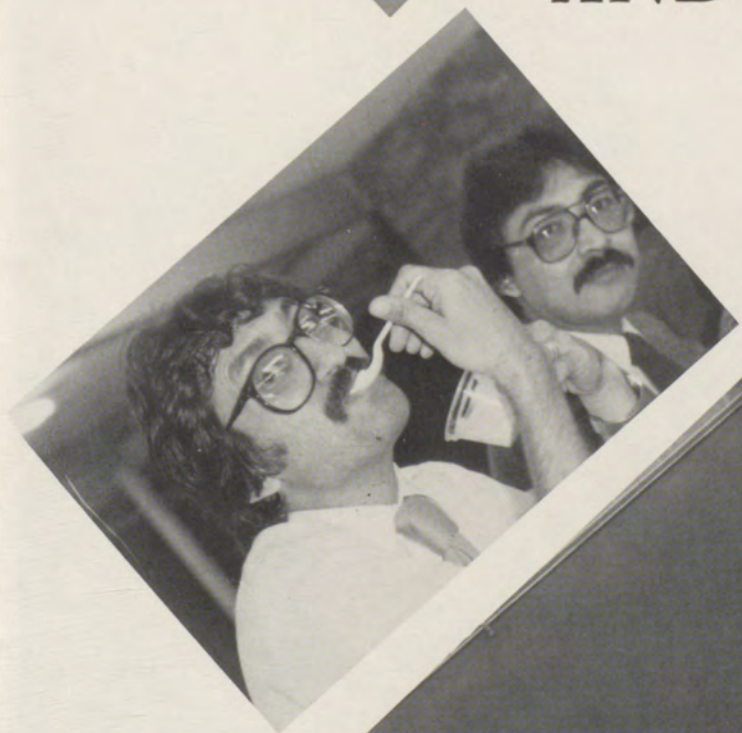
Mrs. Palacios punching holes in the class grade sheets.  
A visiting Marine introduces his friend to the JROTC class.  
Mr. Saenz picks up around campus.  
Sylvia Mendez says, "Quit bothering me, I'm trying to get to class."  
Jon says, "Yeah, I know how to take pictures."



*PARTY ....*



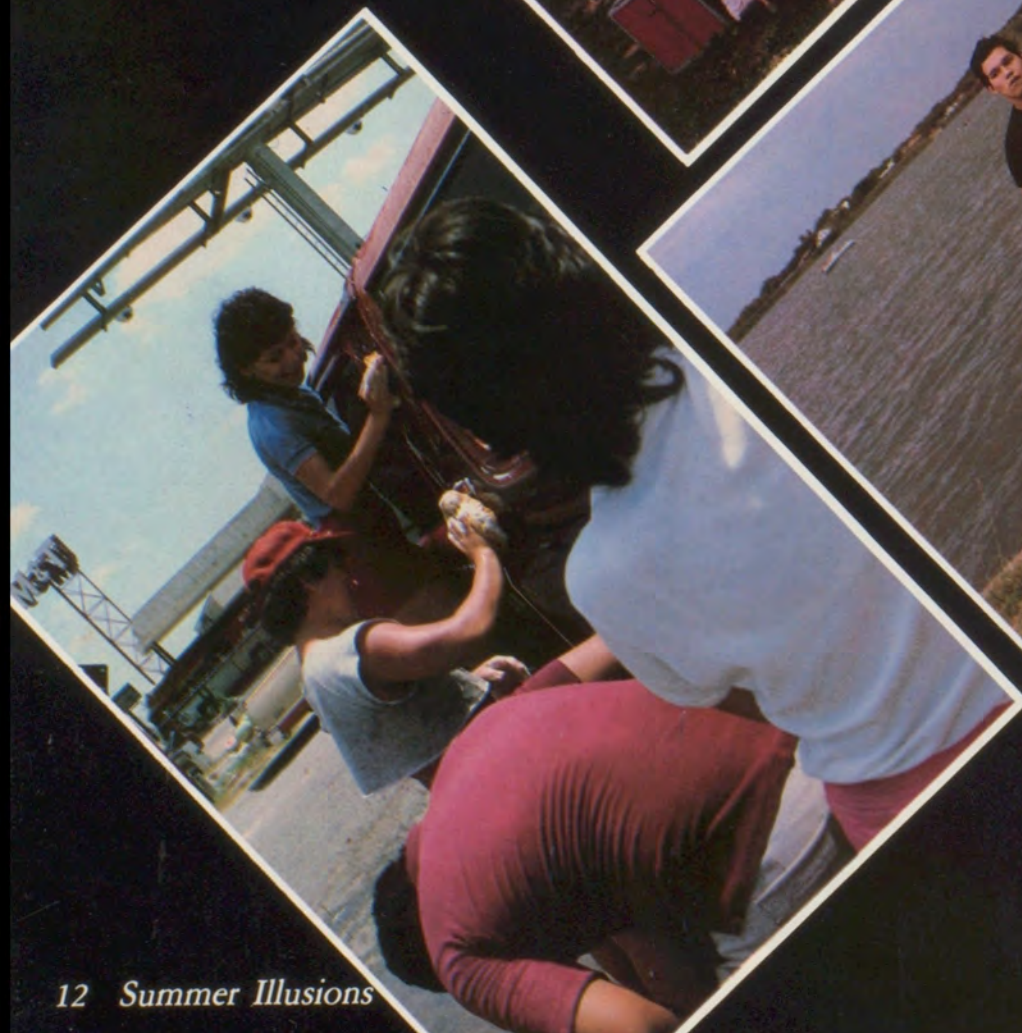
*AND STUDY!*



TV Productions Aide Max Salinas prepares the cafeteria music.  
Jose, K. Johnson, and Mike Ortega go wild at one of the pep rallies.  
"Rod" munches out as Mr. Sandoval looks on.  
Mr. Newberg busily prepares his TLW(The Learner Will) Objectives.



# SUMMER ILLUSIONS



Mr. Rodriguez fixing Old Faithful.  
Mario G. and Eric A. must be giving away the cokes.  
Aida, you've been in that same spot for hours, says Mario.  
Journalism Junkies at Lake Nasworthy.



What did you do during your Summer vacation? While most people used their time to just bum around, some people found more constructive things to do with their time. Take the Journalism Department for example. This summer six members of the yearbook staff traveled to San Angelo to attend the yearly Newsfoto Yearbook Workshop. At the workshop, members learned to use new techniques which hopefully helped us make a better yearbook for you. The members who attended the workshop were Jackie Sanders, Yvette Thronburg, Ilina Alanis, Rey Rivera, Freddy Villarreal, Sonny Villarreal and Advisor Mr. A. Rodriguez.

Graduation Dance committees also used summer to do some fundraising. Car washes were popular as committee members realized that that all important dances needed money to get off the ground.

The mall was also a popular spot for people during the summer. Most people went to the mall just to walk around or to check out a flick.

"Back to The Future" starring Michael J. Fox was this summer's blockbuster hit as it played in theaters all over the country. Summer School, although not so popular, had a lot of people in attendance. Some people went to Summer School to get ahead, while others took it to (GASP) make up a failed class. Although a lot of people did work, don't be ashamed if you were one of those who just bummed around. You deserved a break and you took it. Besides, do you actually think that the people who worked didn't find some time to have fun?



Yearbook staff visits the State Capitol.  
Judy Martinez and Yvonne Herrera together again.  
Judy will do just about anything to wash your car.  
Zefer, Jessica and Cruz just loove watermelon.



# AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



*Pete Zuniga shows off the look that women love.*

*PepRallys were an after school activities people looked forward to.*

*Angie Ramirez and Vianey Garcia go over the days gossip.*







*Bear Mascot Mark Gonzalez gets the crowd excited.*

*Some people found afterschool a time to just relax.*

*Debbie Salinas prays for a victory.*



What do you do after school? While most people would say I go home," there is really an infinite number of answers to this question. For those unlucky people who don't have cars, or friends who have cars they can always look forward to a long wait for the bus. Most people are usually out there until about 4 pm when their only means of transportation to and from school arrives.

Other students, like the band students, have more to look forward to. Earlier in the year, band students marched out in the hot sun for 2 or 3 hours, trying to perfect their 43rd. Annual Pigskin Jubilee.

Their hard work paid off as the Mighty Bear Band received the highest rating possible, a Division I. After pigskin, band members had to contend with after school sectionals.

Although the band does do alot of hard work, they aren't the only ones. After school athletes also put in many hours of sweat. This year, the determination of the athletes helped them reach their ultimate goals. This year, the volleyball team and both the JV and Sophomore football teams had outstanding seasons.

The dedication of other clubs like FFA, ROTC and Drama have paid off in various ways. PSJA's ROTC and Drama departments are among the best in South Texas, while FFA has long been an exciting, learning organization on campus.





# LOOKS THAT THRILL



Eddie Trevino, Belinda Villareal, and Iris Bartimus  
just have to smile for the camera.  
Sarah Licon asks for a mirror.  
Sandra Gutierrez tries to act serious, but her clothes  
just don't do the trick.  
Linda Gonzalez shows us that cover girl look.







*That certain look, That covergirl or GQ look, Is this what you're looking for? Most people are.*

*When guys talk looks that thrill, most of them are referring to Heather Thomas, Raquel Welch, Christie Brinkly or the Dallas cowboy cheerleaders, not too many guys think that the looks that thrill, are right here at PSJA. Its a pleasure to inform you that you don't have to look so far any longer. If you don't watch it, one of the goddesses pouncing around campus, just might bite you on the nose. Not to many blondes, but the valley air does wonders to the personality and complexion of PSJA dames. So don't even try to compare the PSJA valley women to the California Blonde bags, our girls have that certain valley characteristic that just thrill the opposite sex. Who knows maybe someone will write the song "Wish they all could be Rio Grande girls".*

*When girls talk looks that thrill, they have no idea that the Mel Gibsons, Paul Newmans, Clint Eastwoods, and Tom Sellecks are actually walking with them in the halls. O.k., so they're a little shorter and lack that extra muscle tissue, but don't tell me you can't notice the resemblance. Sorry girls, you'll aren't the only ones that the valley air effects. So there aren't many blue eyed hunks, In California they're sick of blue eyes, and are begging PSJA's brown eyed hunks to move up there!*



*The mighty Bears enter the field with great enthusiasm*

*Well known Mrs. Trevino flashes those pearly whites.*

*Lori and Debbie Salinas, notice the family resemblance.*







New Coach Shawhan who came from Harlingen, expresses himself to the sophomore football team on a hot Saturday afternoon. This year Coach Shawhan helped lead the team to a winning season.

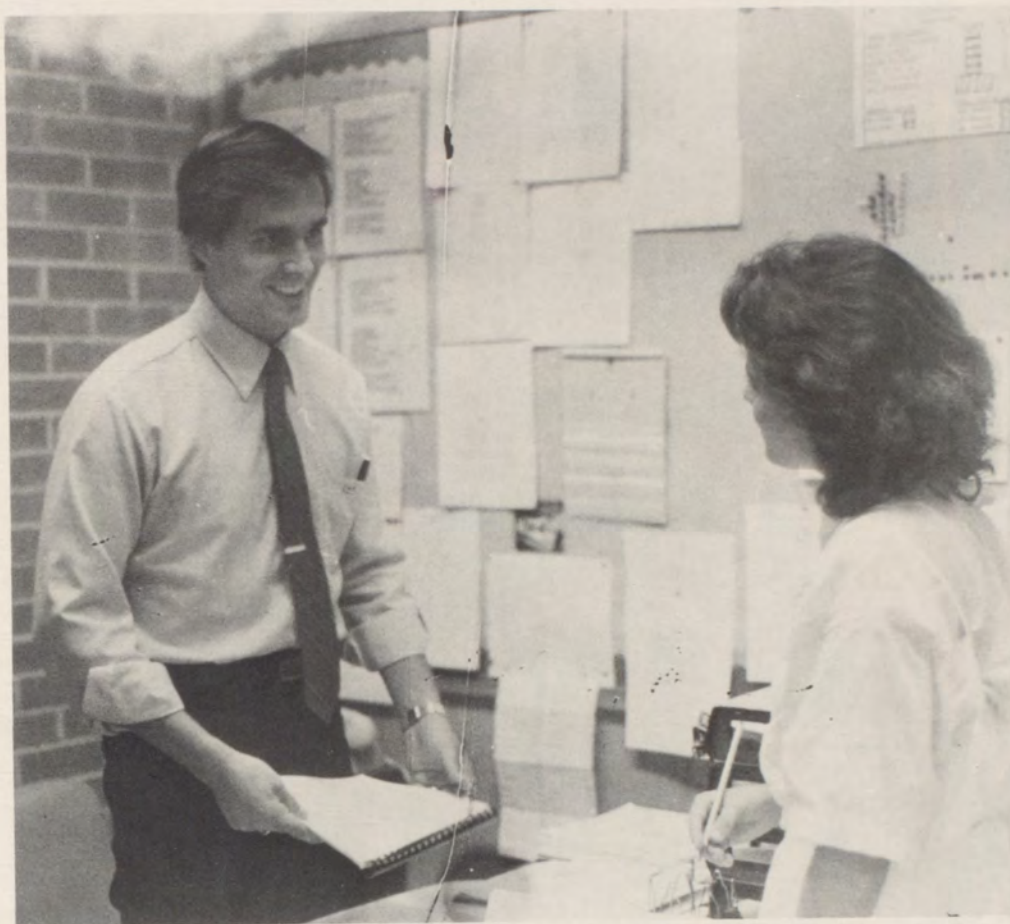
## NEW FACULTY MEMBERS EXCELL.

Is it a new face, or a familiar face, or somebody important? You bet they are. P.S.J.A. has hired 23 teachers, and one curriculum facilitator for the 1985-86 school year. The new faculty that was positioned early in the summer faced numerous changes as the new year began. The changes that affected them were new textbooks, write detailed lesson plans, old run down rooms, rowdy students, House Bill 72 once again, evaluations, and Teacher's Competency Tests. Although some teachers who just graduated from college are entering this profession, some are veterans coming from other school districts. New to the science department are: Ben Franco, Mariely Cajina-Quezada; Language arts are: Maria Trevino and D. Lopez; Exploring History are: Crispin Rendon and Alma Lopez; In the world of music are Carol Beene, Luis Maldonado, and Shirley Atkins; Teaching French this year is Johna Jackson; Special Education has David Rodriguez while seven coaches were brought in and either teaching science or history; they are Charles Anders, Dave Anders, Scott Lassiter, Tom Shawhan, and Albert Ureigeas. In the vocational field is Arnold Willingham. The curriculum facilitator is Mr. Scott Owings, whose main job is to prepare the teacher with their competency test, juniors with their TEAMS Test, and in general, evaluate teachers and their lesson plans.



Biology teacher Mariely Cajina-Quezada, works firmly with her lesson plans. Miss Quezada was a student teacher last year and was hired this year to fill in a vacancy.





Curriculum Facilitator Mr. Scott Owings, joined the team of principals this year. Mr. Owings is originally from Michigan but has taught here in the Vally for five years. Mr. Owings main position is in the evaluation of teachers, help the Junior class with the TEAMS test, and the teachers preparing the competency test. Owings, helps out Senior Mary Hiller with an important question.



Pictured above are 13 new PSJA teachers out of 23 that were hired for the 1985-86 school year; front row: Mariely Cajina-Quezada, Alma Lopez, Marina Castillo, Shirley Atkins, Johna

Jackson, Carol Beene, Back row: Ben Franco, Crispin Rendon, Luis Maldonado, David Rodriguez, Malcolm Coleman, David Anders, and Samuel Nieto.

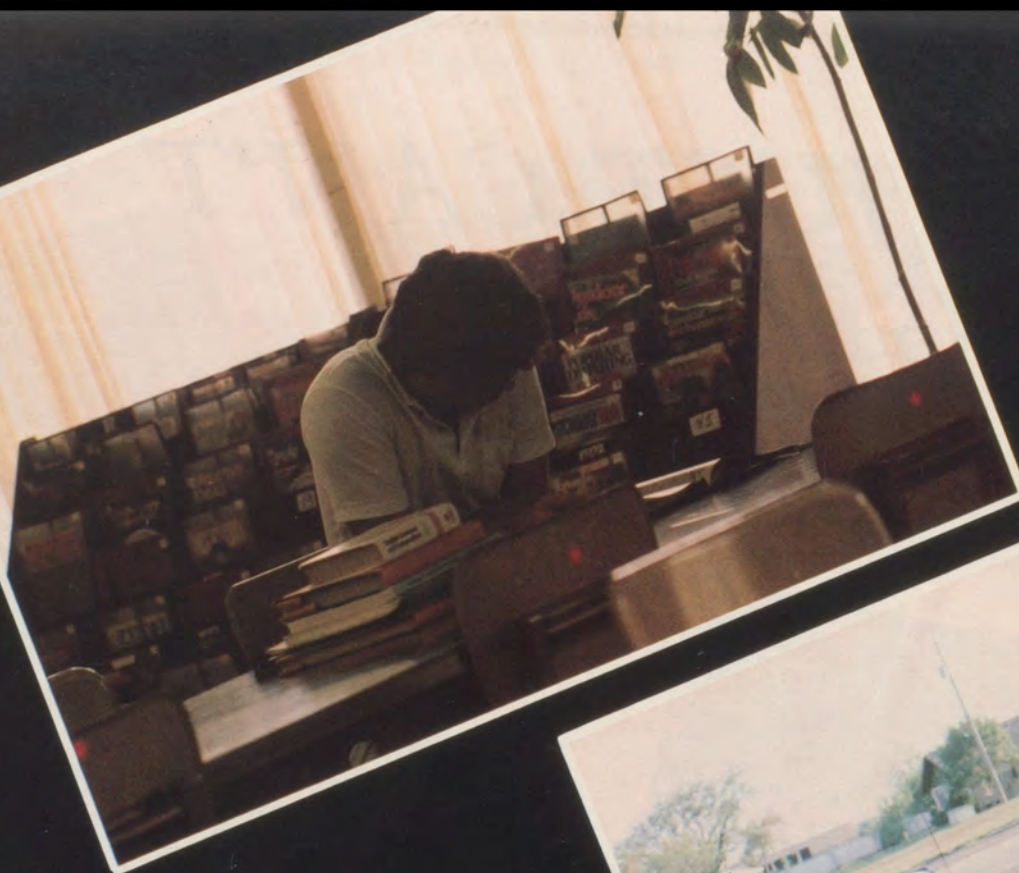


# GOING CRAZY



Fred and Jackie can't stand Rod's lectures.  
Diana and Mary Helen before the Edinburg game.  
'You just can't take a picture of me,' says Marissa Perez. Bear  
fans scream, yell, shout before the caravan to McHi.





Face it, school drives everyone crazy. Edith, Johnny, Jackie and Cyndee party out in the Bud-Stud special. Mark Gonzales tries to convince Iliana Alanis to wear more make-up.



High School, one of the few places you can literally go wild. Although things are pretty quiet in the classroom, after school events are a completely different situation.

Pep-rallies are perhaps the most popular of the after school activities. At the pep-rallies, people have the chance to let out their frustration by cheering, screaming, yelling, and in short just going crazy. The junior Olympics also add to the excitement as each class enthusiastically cheers its respective participant.

Caravans were also popular on campus this year. Although they were illegal here at PSJA, some crazy Seniors always managed to plan one right before the big game.

This year caravans were held in McAllen and Edinburg. What makes a caravan so attractive, as one Senior put it, "All the cars lined together and the spirit of all the people."

Another event that can get pretty wild are football games. Once the game begins, each section has its own series of chants and cheers. As the team gets close to scoring, the cheers get louder as the students scream for 'touchdown'. When the score is made, the students erupt into an uncontrollable frenzy. The players also get into the act as they realize that they are one step closer to victory.

After the game is done and everybody has left the stadium, everybody ventures out and goes wild on their own. And so ends another wild and crazy week at Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School.





# YOU JUST CAN'T FORGET . . .



*You just can't forget those days before pigskin.*

*Trino, Sandra, Rick, Sylvia and Fred receive the friendship token.*

*Belinda Villarreal watches the other cheerleaders from the sidelines.*



Theres some things you just can't forget. Certain things that you won't forget for as long as you live. Who could ever forget the Mission game? All those poor girls getting mazed. What about the band? Boy, even they were worried about getting a Division II, so when they got a Division I they were the happiest organization on campus not to mention the Valley. No one will ever forget the Teams test, how could you? What about when the football team broke the tradition of losing Homecoming, and whipped Memorial 16 to 3.

What about Lisa Cantu being crowned Homecoming Queen, now thats something she will never forget. Hey, what about the Sophomores at the first Pep Rally? Talk about dead. No one will ever forget the music that we ate to in the cafeteria. And for the seventh year in a row the P.S.J.A. Drama Department had an awesome one act play + childrens show. All of these things are unforgettable, but no one will ever forget their own P.S.J.A. Spirit and Pride.



What hams! Angie, Annie, Maribel and Mona know exactly what to do for the photographer.

Juan, Eric and Ruben at the first Senior Rally.

Who will ever forget the Teams Test?





# 1985-86 HOMECOMING



Iris Garza of Pharr. As a Sophomore she was a Bearette and a Student Council member. As a junior she was a Bearette officer and a new member for NHS. And this year is a Varsity Cheerleader and a second year NHS member.



Laura Diaz of San Juan. Among the many activities she is involved in are Student Council Executive Board, Cotillion Club, Cheerleading and 4-H. Laura plans to attend Pan American and become a computer operator.



Lizette Garza of Pharr. Lizette among her many activities is actively involved in Student Council, and NHS member for two years.



Izza Flores of Pharr. Izza has been a Bearette for two years and was right guard her Junior year. Izza has also been Vice-President of the Pan American Spanish Forum and actively been involved in church and dancing for 12 years.



# Queen Candidates

Will I receive a mum this year? Will he take me to the Homecoming dance? These are probably some of the questions asked by girls when Homecoming comes around. Little do people know that much time and preparation go into making Homecoming day a great success.

The Senior Class, well over their triumph of the 1984-85 Prom, took on the challenging responsibility of organizing Homecoming activities for the 1985-86 school year. A major event of homecoming is crowning a new queen, which is a prestigious honor.

Every year about four weeks before the big night takes place, the Senior class officers hold a major meeting with Senior sponsors to make arrangements of the coronation ceremony and other events dealing with Homecoming, such as the Senior Tea, which is held for the Senior and Ex-Seniors of the class of '76 and '66. But before the arranging of the Senior Tea the Homecoming Queen Candidates must be presented to the student body. This year even though the Senior Class officers had very little time they presented the candidates at the P.S.-J.-A auditorium which was beautifully decorated with greenery provided generously by Lewis Nursery in Pharr. Escorts for the presentation were Mark Gonzalez and Alejos De Leon. The escorts wore black tails and tie tuxedos and each carried a cain. Formal ware for the escorts was provided by Al's Formal Ware in McAllen.

Many thanks to these two businesses for assisting the Senior Class of 1986. Also our sincere thanks go to Mr. Ballew, Master of Ceremonies.

Crowning festivities took place at the P.S.-J.-A. stadium before the game started. Fathers, who seemed more nervous than their beautiful daughters, escorted the candidates onto the field. After what seemed like hours the new queen was crowned. Pictures were taken, tears were shed and hearts were broken. All the candidates were very beautifully eligible and each deserved the prestigious honor but there can only be one 1986 Homecoming Queen.



**Jackie Sanders** of Pharr. During her High School years Jackie has been involved in many activities. Among her many activities are: Band 3 years, Twirler, Band Chaplin, Student Council, Assistant Editor of the 1985-86 Bear's Tale, Photography Editor of the 1985-86 Bear Memories, Future Homemakers of America 2 years, UIL Band Ensemble Division I and Who's Who Among American High School Students.



**Aida Palomo** of Alamo. Aida has been a cheerleader here at PSJA for three years and this year is a member of the Bear's Tale staff. Aida has also been actively involved in Future Homemakers of America, Student Council, and a CCD member for 12 years.



**Becky Gonzalez** of San Juan. Becky has been involved with National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and she is also Student Council Vice-President.



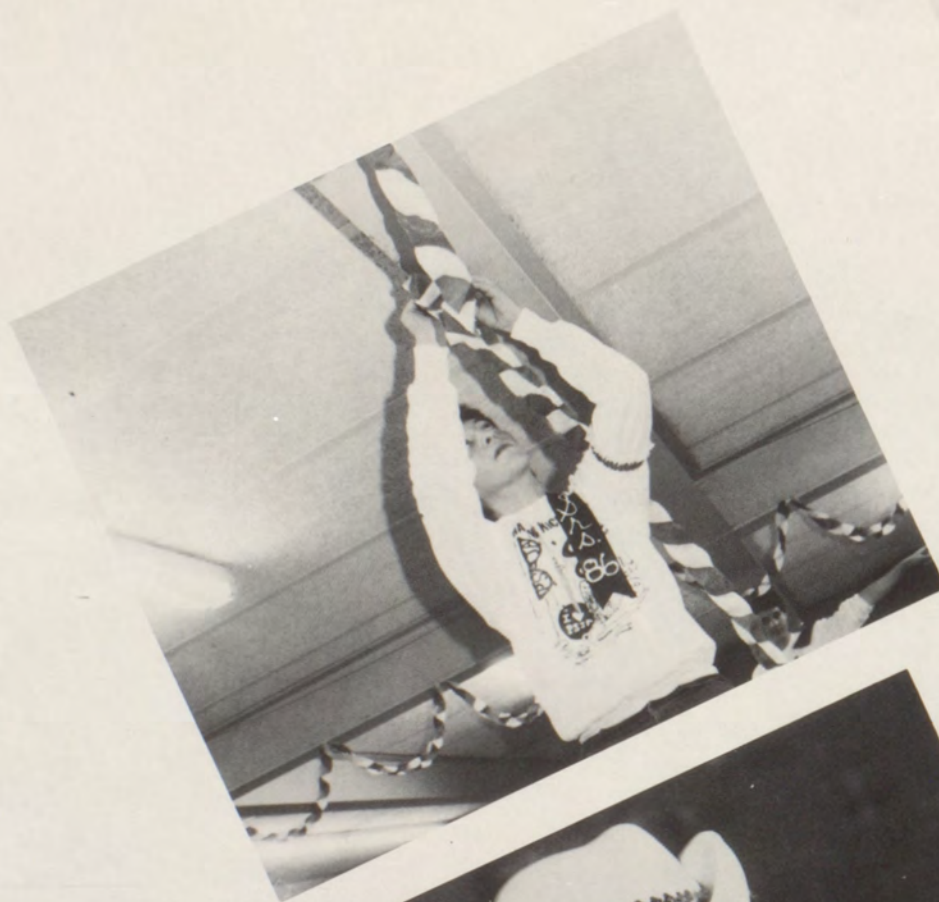
# HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

-Srs. prepare for Homecoming dance.

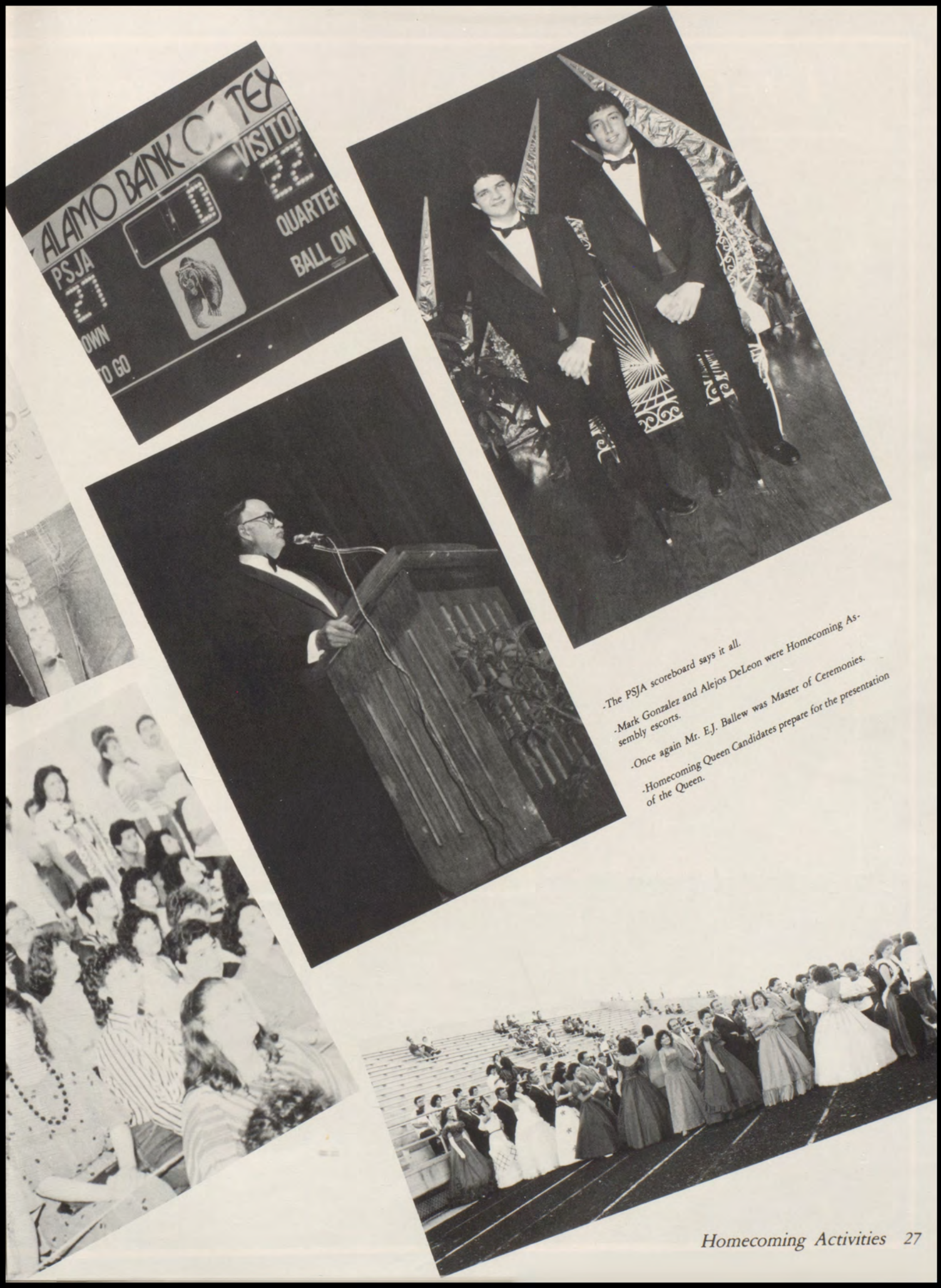
-Mark G., Fred V., and Yvette T., were chosen as most spirited for the 1985-86 school year.

-Edith Gonzalez shows off her mums.

-1966 and 1976 Seniors reunite at Homecoming Pep Rally.







- The PSJA scoreboard says it all.
- Mark Gonzalez and Alejos DeLeon were Homecoming Assembly escorts.
- Once again Mr. E.J. Ballew was Master of Ceremonies.
- Homecoming Queen Candidates prepare for the presentation of the Queen.



*"I felt happy . . . real excited."*



Lisa Cantu was crowned Homecoming Queen for the 1985-86 school year. Lisa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Cantu of Pharr, has been a Cheerleader at PSJA for four years. For the past three years Lisa has been voted class favorite. She was also actively involved in St. Margaret Church in Pharr as a second grade CCD Teacher. When asked what she felt when her name was announced Lisa replied, "I felt happy, a little surprised. I just felt real excited." Of all the honors Lisa has received throughout her four years at PSJA this has to be the most prestigious.



Rhonda Ramirez was named First Princess at the Homecoming Presentation. Rhonda is a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students, had been a PSJA Cheerleader for the past four years and was involved in the Hidalgo Cotillion Club. Last year Rhonda was honored by being named Miss Pharr for 1985.

Annabelle Salinas was named Second Princess. In her years at PSJA Annabelle has been actively involved in DECA. She was elected Junior Treasurer of DECA, and she was nominated DECA Favorite for 1984-85. This year she was elected DECA Second Vice-President.







*The instant Lisa's name was announced as Homecoming Queen she turned to hug her very proud father.*



*After being presented her dozen roses and her Homecoming Crown Lisa pauses to face the excited Bear fans.*



*Rhonda smiles for photographers before being announced as Homecoming First Princess.*



*Annabelle relaxes and soaks in the realization of being named Second Princess for Homecoming 1985-86.*





# NO PLACE BUT P.S.-J.A.



*The MIGHTY BEAR BAND.*

*Rick Torres shows his SENIOR SPIRIT.*

*ONLY AT P.S.-J.A. can you find classes being held in the halls.*

*LANA and MARY-HELEN just love ice cream.*

*FLOR MEDRANO poses for a quick snapshot*



*NO PLACE BUT P.S.-J.A.*



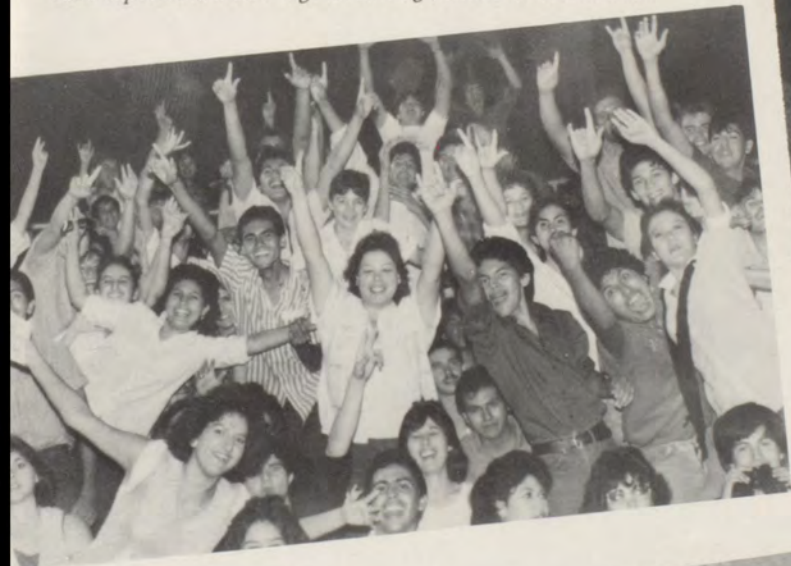


*Cheerleaders joke around during a break.*

*Rowdy Bear fans know how to party.*

*Diana and Mary keep Bobby from mouthing off.*

*Some Sophomores needed bags on their legs, instead of on their faces.*



*This statement might sound like an opinion but in reality it is the truth. P-SJA has long been known as the school with the most spirit because it has the most students.*

*P-SJ-A has had a very large student body but not everyone comes from one big city like all the other average high schools. This student body is made up of the tri-city area, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo. Many people here about of how many students there. There are approximately 3,700 students. These students are strictly from the Senior High School containing Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors, not including the 9th-Grade Memorial High School which consists of purely freshmen.*

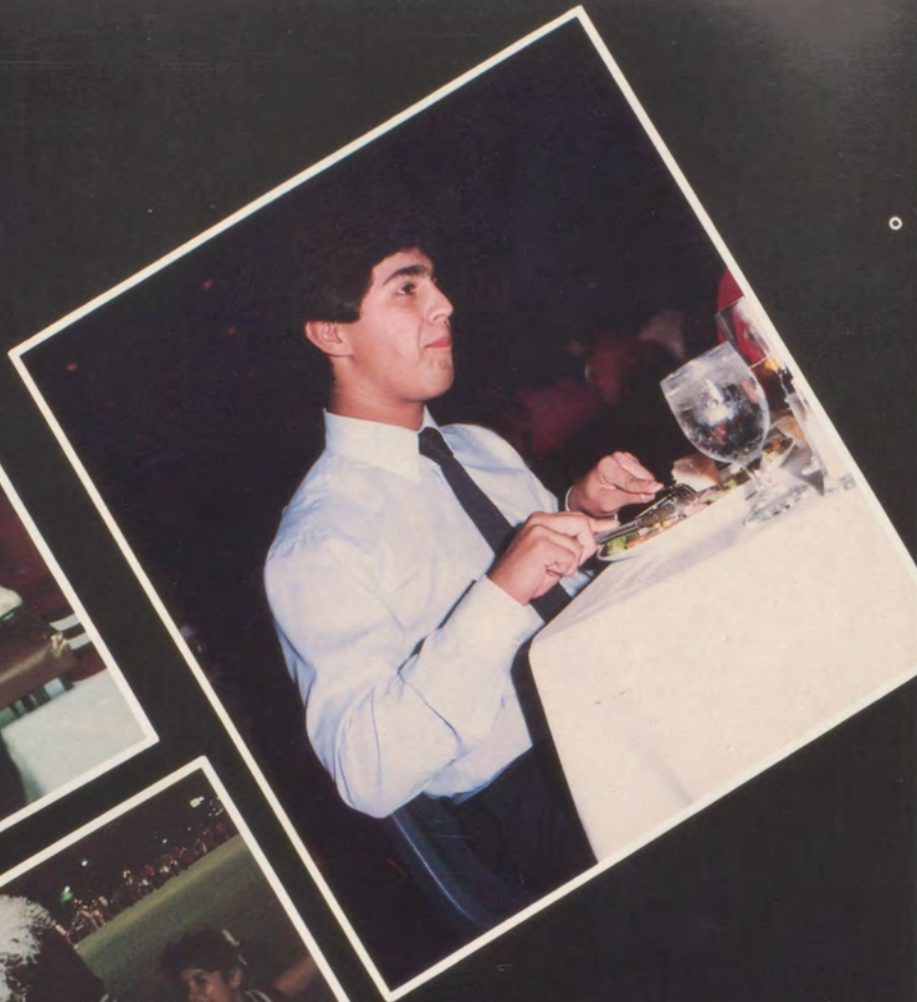
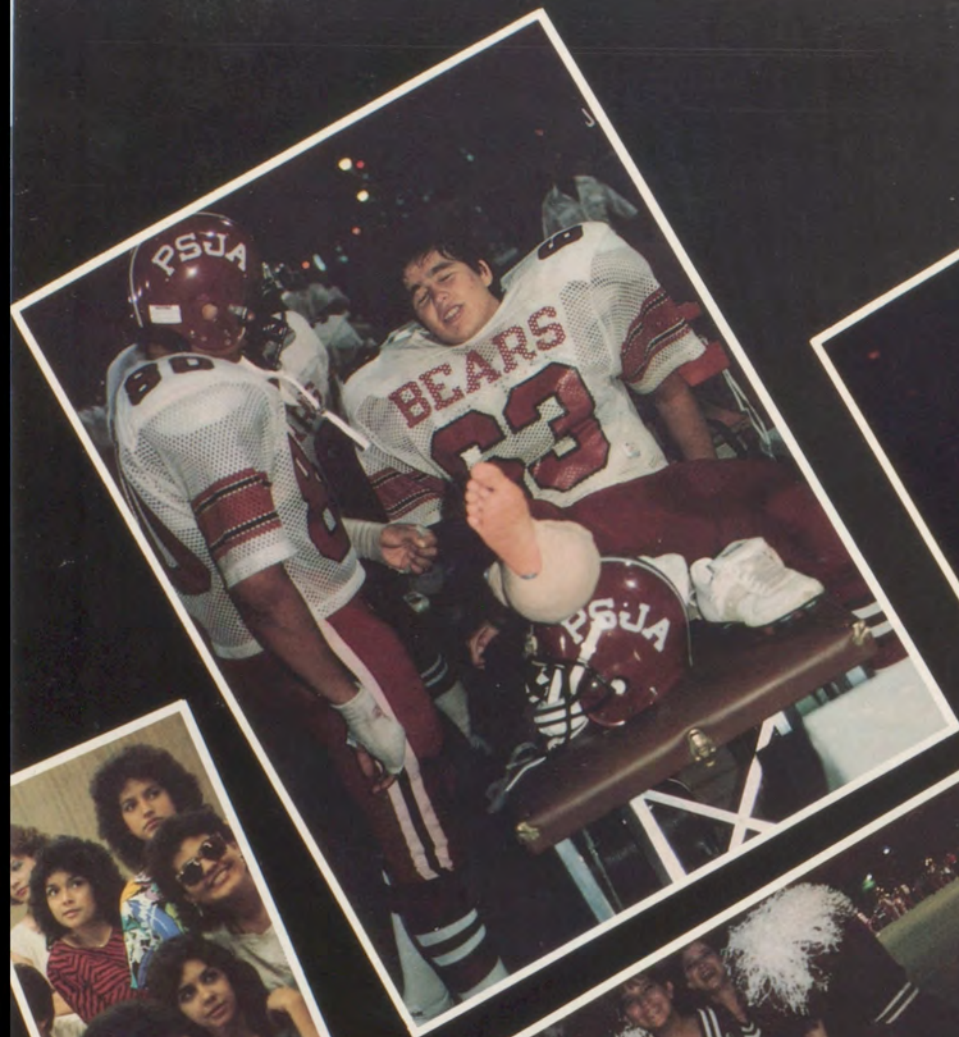
*The question on so many peoples mind is how can a school control so many students? Well it isn't easy, but with 214 teachers and administration it can be done. These are some of the major reasons why PSJA is the best.*

*Other reasons that are not so important are; PSJA is the only high school with a smoking area, which gives students a freedom of choice, and it is the only high school with five very large parking lots, it is the only school with a horse-shoe shaped stadium, and the only school with live disc-jockys during their lunch periods. Where else can you find so many students with so much great school spirit. NO WHERE ELSE BUT PSJA!*



*No Place But P. S. J. A.*





# CAPTURING THE MOMENT

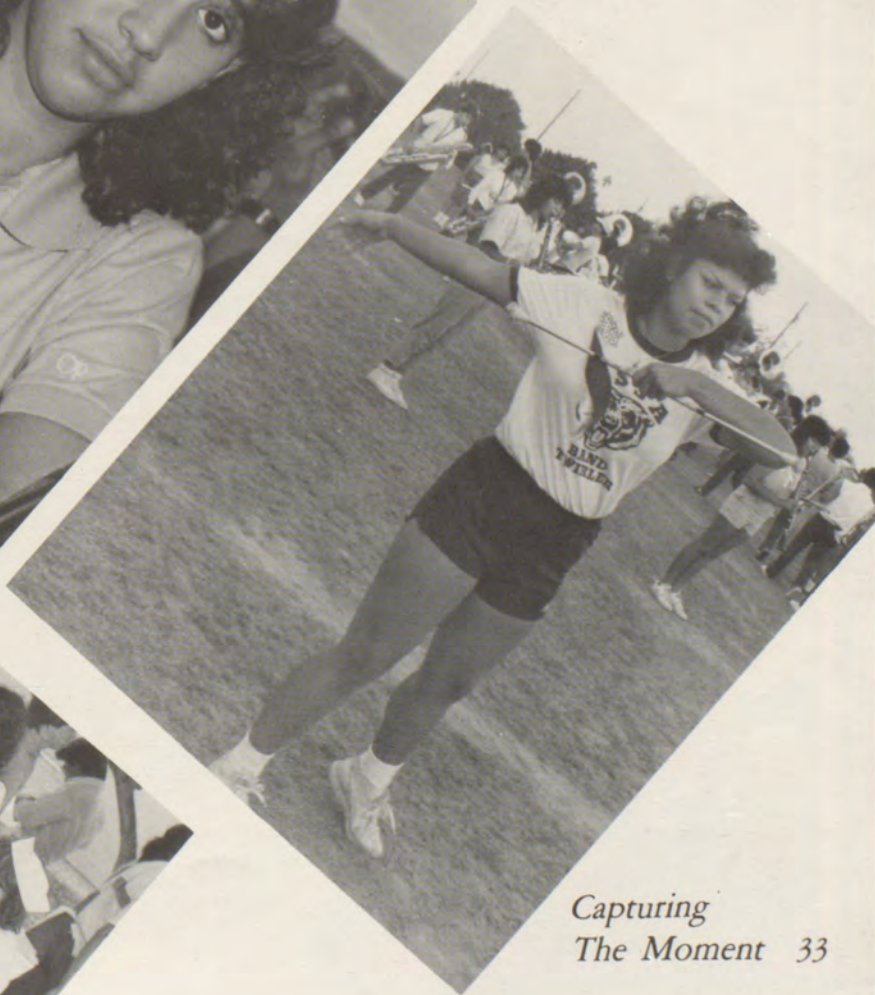


The first Senior rally.  
 Harry Vargas shows what football is all about.  
 Yvette Thornburg will laugh at just about anything.  
 Cheerleaders ham it up before the game.  
 Fred Villarreal munching out in the PSJA cafeteria.  
 Joe Cano shows us his awesome forehead.



How many times have you told yourself "Damn, I wish I had taken a picture" or "I wish I had something to remind me of the way we were." That is why capturing the moment is such a vital characteristic of a school year. A picture that makes you feel the pain or the glory in the picture expresses is actually capturing the moment. Capturing that special moment, no matter how the person is feeling, always makes for a great picture. The 1985-86 PSJA school year was full of many glorious and depressing moments. Bear Memories photographers filled this year's yearbook with a story behind every picture. I guess you could say, they did their best to Capture The Moments just for you to look back on.

Seniors know what it means to be rowdy.  
Yvonne Muzquiz shows her appreciation for cafeteria food.  
Lizzy Ramirez works hard to perfect her routine.  
Sandra Gutierrez dozes off in Mr. Wood's class.  
Edith, Cyndee, and Lana discuss their wild weekend.





# HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU... SENIORS

The 1986 Senior class was full of spirit and pride, not letting the eighty-percent mastery program bother them in their final high school year. Although Seniors had to try harder to keep their grades up, it only proved one thing, that they have what it takes to be at the top. Remembering their Sophomore year, and not quite believing that they're finally Seniors, Seniors anticipated to make this long stretch a good one. They were persistent and full of enthusiasm in planning goals, since they know after graduation they're on their own, supposedly starting careers, going to college of just simply taking chances in this vast world of every day life. Keeping old traditions, Seniors managed to have an outstanding Homecoming Dance whose theme this year was Old Time Rock and Roll. And also upon starting new traditions, Seniors had Senior Rally's and Senior Walk for the entire football season. Leading the Seniors this year was the entire Yvette Thornburg. Treasurer, Sigi Camarillo, Parliamentarian, Cris Bearden and last but not least the head Senior sponsor Mr. Francis Hallock. Many Thanks go to Jackie Sanders, who along with over 800 Seniors strived to make it a good and memorable year for everyone to remember. Long live the class of '86.

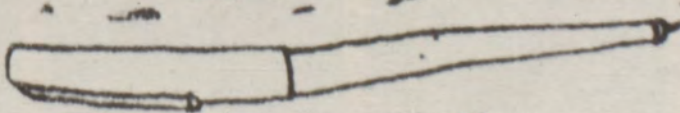
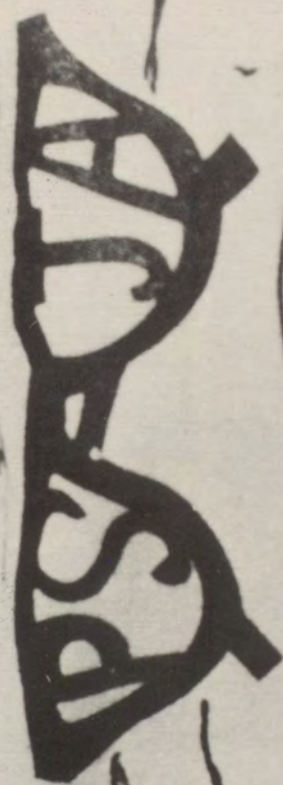
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*Benito Aguilera*



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*Iliana Alanis*



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*Mario Alaniz*



*Raul Alaniz*



*Guadalupe Aleman*



*Junior Aleman*



*Dolores Almanza*



*Matilde Alonzo*



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*Veronica Benavidez*



*Omar Benitez*



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*Tracy Bluhm*



*Tony Botello*



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*Melba Bustamante*



*Teresa Caballero*



*Rosalinda Caceres*



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*Rachel Cantu*



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*Cruz Cardenas*



*Yolanda Cardenas*



*Janie Castilleja*



*Cyn-dee Castillo*



*Cory Castillo*



*Cyndey Castillo*



*Eddie Castillo*



*Nelly Castillo*



*Rosie Cavazos*



*Dora Chapa*



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*Scott Coats*



*Rachel Colchado*



*Lisa Colmenero*



*Zeferino Compean*



*Alma Contreras*



*Coni Contreras*



*Mary Contreras*



*Melissa Contreras*



*Natalia Contreras*



*Natalia Contreras*



*Anna Coronado*



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*Lupita Enriquez*



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*Javier Escalante*



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*Blanca Escobedo*



*Silvestre Esparza*



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*Richard Farias*



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*Diana Garcia*



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*Rosa Garcia*



*Sandra Garcia*



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*Tabita Garcia*



*Viola Garcia*



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*Daniel Garza*



*Debbie Garza*



*Frank Garza*



*Gracie Garza*



*Herlinda Garza*



*Homer Garza*



*Idalia Garza*



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*Noe Gonzales*



*Ruben Gonzales*



*Steven Gonzales*



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*Loretta Gordiano*



*Hector Graciano*



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*Eddie Gutierrez*



*Mary Gutierrez*



*Patricia Gutierrez*



*Roland Gutierrez*



*Sandra Gutierrez*



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*Adelita Hernandez*



*Amos Hernandez*



*Anna Hernandez*



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*Dulce Hernandez*



*Elizabeth Hernandez*



*Hugo Hernandez*



*Jaime Hernandez*



*Janie Hernandez*



*Javier Hernandez*



*Joe Hernandez*



*Juan Hernandez*



*Leonor Hernandez*



*Martina Hernandez*



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*Iliana Herrera*



*Javier Herrera*



*Miguel Herrera*



*Yvonne Herrera*



*Juan Hidalgo*



*Mary Hiller*



*Esmeralda Hinojosa*



*Yolanda Hinojosa*



*Yolanda Hinojosa*



*Mary Hooks*



*Victor Huertas*



*Marisela Hurtado*



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*Santos Montalvo*



*Abel Montez*



*Guillermina Montez*



*Flora Morales*



*Magdalena Morales*



*Gary Morelius*



*Diana Morin*



*Elisa Morin*



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*Susie Olivarez*



*Norma Olmeda*



*Annabell Ordaz*



*Mada Ordaz*



*Mike Ortega*



*Sandra Ortega*



*Carlos Osuna*



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*Noe Quintero*



*Christina Ramirez*



*Cynthia Ramirez*



*Martha Ramirez*



*Nelva Ramirez*



*Patty Ramirez*



*Rachel Ramirez*



*Raudel Ramirez*



*Rhonda Ramirez*



*Ron Ramirez*



*Ronny Ramirez*



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*Leticia Ramos*



*Veronica Ramos*



*Aida Rendon*



*Marisela Renteria*



*Blanca Reyes*



*Mary Reyes*



*Rene Reyes*



*Susana Reyes*



*Melida Reyna*



*Mary Helen Rigney*



*Andrea Rios*



*Eva Rios*



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*Tena Sabala*



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*Cris Salinas*



*Debra Salinas*



*Homer Salinas*



*Jimmy Salinas*



*Nereyda Salinas*



*Sandra Salinas*



*Sergio Salinas*



*Angie Sanchez*



*Anna Sanchez*



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*Jackie Sanders*



*Arty Sandoval*



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*Rogoberto Santos*



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*Petra Sarmiento*



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*Kasey Segovia*



*Luis Segovia*



*Raul Serna*



*Iselda Silva*



*Sandra Silva*



*Adan Singleterry*



*Adelita Solis*



*Bertha Solis*



*Bertha Solis*



*Danny Solis*



*Marivel Solis*



*Sonia Solis*



*Anna Soto*



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*Javier Soto*



*Juan Soto*



*Serafina Soto*



*Herlinda Spina*



*Michelle Stanley*



*Michael Sweet*



*Alicia Tanguma*



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*Yvette Thornburg*



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*Florinda Trujillo*



*Danny Trujillo*



*Frank Ulloa*



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*Juan Valenzuela*



*Robert Valero*



*Harry Vargas*



*Felix Vasquez*



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*Martina Vasquez*



*Olga Vasquez*



*Petra Vasquez*



*Dolores Vega*



*Silvia Vega*



*Emilio Vela*



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*Norma Lilia Vela*



*Joe Velasquez*



*Pete Villa*



*Gilbert Villanueva*



*Israel Villanueva*



*Dalia Villarreal*



*Fred Villarreal*



*Ileana Villarreal*



*Noemi Villarreal*



*Roman Villarreal*



*Joe Ybanez jamming out with his hard rock music.*



*Sonia Villarreal*



*George Villegas*



*Cris Villescás*



*Johnny Ward*



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*June Webb*



*Cindy Wells*



*Joe Ybanez*



*Melinda Ysquierdo*



*Cynthia Zamarripa*



*Raul Zamarripa*



*Robert Zamarripa*



*Sandra Zamarripa*



*Sylvia Zamarripa*



*Miguel Zarate*



*Annabelle Zepeda*



*Ada Zuniga*



*Christy Zuniga*



*Maricela Zuniga*



Senior editors, Norma, Olga, And Melinda, take time off to smile for the camera after finishing their pages.



# *What do you plan to do after you graduate?*



***Juan Lopez***

*I plan to be a music director, or an engineer. Be the best I can be.*



***Tena Sabala***

*I plan to attend college and major in psychology.*



***Javier Oyervides***

*After I graduate I will achieve my goals which are to go to college, and be an accountant.*



***Gracie Handy***

*I plan to attend college at Arlington Texas and become a travel agent.*



***David Martinez***

*I plan to go to college and get a degree as a chemical engineer.*



***Cory Castillo***

*I plan to go to college and be a certified public accountant.*



***Cesar Gallegos***

*I plan to go to college and major in computer technology.*



***Judy Estrada***

*After graduation I'm planning to join the Air Force.*



***Steve Gonzales***

*After graduation I'm planning to attend college and major in Biology.*



# *What career do you plan to pursue?*



**Kasey Segovia**

*I would like to go into the medical field, probably radiology.*



**Ruben Mendoza**

*I plan to be a pharmacist.*



**Sandie Palacios**

*My plans are to attend college and major in Business Management.*



**Anselmo Hernandez**

*I plan to become a doctor, after graduating from the University of Texas.*



**Diana Garcia**

*I would like to become a psychologist so that I could figure people out.*



**Abel Montez**

*I would like to persue a business profession, preferrably store manager.*



**Cindy Castillo**

*I plan to go to college and study to become a legal secretary.*



**Raul Bracamontes**

*I plan to be a law enforcer.*



**Melinda Ysquierdo**

*I plan to attend a nursing school and become a registered nurse.*



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*Gilbert Villanueva*

An active member of both DECA and ROTC, Gilbert Villanueva has accomplished a great deal. "In DECA, I had the honor of being the first Area IV president and DECA state president that PSJA has ever had." Gilbert attended a state officers Career Development Conference in Many, Louisiana for a week. He also had the honor of attending the National Career Development Conference held in May of '85 in San Francisco California. In ROTC, Gilbert received an award for heroism, the award was presented to him for an attempt of saving a man's life in Many, Louisiana, while attending the DECA State Officers Career Development Conference during the summer of '85. In his sophomore year, Gilbert was actively involved in Drama, where he attended many U.L.L. tournaments in the valley and state. He also earned the honor of becoming a member of the National Forensic League in Drama. Gilbert participated in the production of Peter Pan and played the role of one of the little lost boys. "This year I definitely can say was the best, because of all the achievements and accomplishments that I have made." He went on to say "Hey! If I can make it through high school, I can surely make it through college. Gilbert's plans include attending Pan American University for two years of basics, then he plans to transfer to the University of Texas, to pursue a career as a lawyer or a doctor. "I would like to say to all the graduating seniors, Congratulations for making it this far. Continue your education if possible and don't see yourself short."



*Sandra Gutierrez*

Sandra Gutierrez, secretary of the Student Council, is an outstanding person indeed. She was the chairperson for their annual Blood Drive which was a great success. She was co-chairperson for two other Blood drives, that turned out the same. Sandra has received several honourous mentions such as being selected to attend Girls state her junior year, and also chosen Rotary girl for November, her senior year. Sandra says she feels great about being a senior. She had considered graduating as a junior candidate, in her junior year, but was talked out of it by her friends. Sandra has many plans for the future, some include attending The University of Cosmetology Arts and Science, and receive her license in Cosmetology and hopefully have her own beauty Salon. After accomplishing this she then plans to go to Texas A & I University and pursue a career in business and major in homemaking education. Sandra would also like to send her warmest thanks to Becky Gonzales, Isabel Flores, and Mr. Gill's calculus class for all the laughs and good times, also Trino Medina for being a good friend and helping her with her homework. And a special thanks to Sandra Garcia and Christy Ramos for convincing her not to be a Junior Candidate.



*Fred Villarreal*

As Editor-in-chief of the 1985-86 Bear Memories yearbook staff, Fred Villarreal had a big responsibility on his shoulders. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to be in the yearbook staff, much more to be the Editor-in-chief. Freddy is also the secretary of National Honor Society and is part of the Student Council Executive Board. Fred had the pleasure of being named Journalist of the month for the month of September, and chosen Rotary Boy for the month of December. Fred was selected for Who's Who among American High School Students. He also had the honor of receiving the title for Most Valuable Player when he was in the J.V. Baseball team. Freddy describes his senior year as "A Great Year." His future plans are attending Texas Lutheran college to major in Biology and pursue a career in dentistry. "I'd like to say that I'm very honored to be representing Journalism in the Senior Features there's a lot of other worthy people involved in Journalism that deserve this honor as much as I do, so, I'd like to say thanks! I'd also like to thank Mr. A. Rodriguez and the yearbook staff for not letting things get out of hand. My senior year has been very exciting and it made me realize that my entire life can't stay this way, So I'm preparing myself for whatever may come my way in the future."



*Annabelle Salinas*

Having been chosen, a homecoming queen candidate came as a big surprise to Annabelle Salinas, and after much worrying about rehearsals, dresses, and make-up, it finally paid off on the night of October 18, 1985, when Annabelle Salinas was named second runner-up for Homecoming Queen 1985-86. In her junior year, Annabelle was enrolled in Deca Chapter II where she served the office of treasurer, and chairperson of a child Abuse coloring book project. She was nominated Deca Favorite for 1985-86. In her senior year Annabelle was in Deca Chapter III, where she held the position as second vice president, and was also nominated as Deca Sweetheart for 1985-86. Some of the plans for Annabelle's future are to continue her education and become a better, and successful person in life. "I haven't yet made any definite decisions where I want to continue my education, I might go to TSTI in Harlingen where I wish to study computer Business, or I might attend St. Edwards to study criminal justice. I will always cherish my senior year. It has been an exciting year, thanks to all my friends. I also thank the student body for allowing me to be one of the girls to represent the high school this year as a second runner-up for 1985-86 Homecoming Queen."



# SENIOR FEATURES



Laura Diaz

When asked how she felt about her Senior year, Laura Yvette Diaz answered. "My Senior year has been the best year of my life thanks to Romeo, my friends, and of course teachers. I wouldn't trade the memories I have for anything else." Laura has been very active and has accomplished a lot throughout her high school years. She has been a cheerleader for five years, and is presently co-head cheerleader. Laura has also been an active Student Council member. In her sophomore year, Laura was president of the Sophomore Class. She has been a two year member for Bear Memories, and also a two year reporter for Bear's Tale, the school newspaper. For her future, Laura plans to attend Pan American University, and major in computer science. After college, Laura plans to pursue a career as a computer operator. "I would like to thank all my friends for helping make my senior year a little more 'bear' able!" says Laura. Its been one terrific year! The memories we've shared will never be forgotten. Special thanks to Romero Garza for being a sweetheart; Annie Guzman, Aida Palomo, Iris Garza, and Viola Garcia, you all have been great! I would also like to wish both the varsity and Junior varsity cheerleaders of 1985-86 the best of luck in whatever your future has in store for you. Rod and Castillo, Thanks a million! I will never forget my years at P.S.J.A and the memories that go along with it! Go for it next year Juniors 'cause it will go by before you know it!"



Joe Cano

Being a member of the Varsity Tennis team for three years, Joe Cano has ranked No. 4 his sophomore year, No. 3 his junior year, and No. 1 his Senior year. Joe has also participated in other organizations such as the Photography Club and the History Club. Joe received an honorable mention as tennis most outstanding doubles team. When Joe was asked how he felt about being a senior, his reply was, "I feel great knowing that I'm finally a Senior." Joe has a full load after graduating, he plans to attend Galveston College of Medicine and become a physician's assistant. He then plans to work in a hospital, and in a couple of years hopefully, get into a partnership with one who practices medicine and open their own clinic. "First, above all, I thank God for all his help throughout my education years, because I know that without his help I would of stayed behind a long time ago. Also I thank God for being my very best friend." He also went on to say "Thanks to all my family, especially my mom, for all the support and caring, a special thanks to my sister, Becky and her husband John, for making my senior expenses along more easier for me. To my brother, Mike thanks for the toyota. I'd like to thank all my teachers for sharing their time, effort, and knowledge with me. A special thanks to my tennis coach for taking me to all the tournaments, and for fighting for my ranking on the draw sheet. A special thanks goes to Olga Macias for being such a good friend and for making my senior year a better one. Thanks! Olga. I'm going to miss joking around with you." Joe also went on to thank Claudia Mendez, and Cris Bearden. He also added "To all my friends that I met throughout the years, thank you for making this last year the best one ever. I'd like to wish you all good luck in your careers and happiness in your lives always. May God bless you, Class of 1986, and may you reach out and conquer your dreams. Don't give up! Continue your track in life because there's a lot more to gain than what we expect."



Gracie Gonzalez

Gracie Gonzalez is one person on whom many people can count on. She is a very spirited person and is often found at the varsity football, basketball, and baseball games, always backing the Bears. She has been an Osoette member for two years and is presently holding the position of 1st lieutenant. Gracie is a member of the Office Education Association. Her junior year she held the office of historian. Being the historian, she was in charge of keeping the club's scrapbook. This year Gracie is also an active member and holds the position of treasurer. Gracie is also a member of the Bear Memories staff. When asked what she thought about her senior year, she answered, "My senior year may not have been the greatest year," she added, "But thanks to my friends I got through it." "I also want to thank one special person who has been there for me whenever I needed someone to talk to, or when I needed a shoulder to cry on. That person is my very best friend, Norma. Thanks Norma! There is also another person whom I'd like to thank for being very patient and understanding with me. He knows who he is. I also want to let all my friends know how much I appreciate them and how I wish them the best in their future. To the Class of 1986, make the most of it! and the "Loyal Bear Backers" Norma V., Sylvia M., Anna P., Dollie L., and Tessie P. you will always be in my thoughts and in my heart."



Jaime Mancha

Jaime Javier Mancha, a member of Band and Drama held no official position in either, but, being a senior member of both, spoke for itself. In his three years of high school, he has marched with the Mighty Bear Band on the field, and played with the "A" band. He is now a member of the PSJA stage band. In Drama, he's managed to be in four productions, one of which advanced to state semi finals finals-Strider. In his sophomore year he was inducted into the International Thespian Society. In his Junior year, he received a I in solo and in ensemble, and advanced to state-competition at Austin. Also, he was recognized as a member of the All-Star Cast both at zone and, area one-act Play contest, while performing Strider. When asked how his senior year went, his reply was "Awesome! I've made so many new friends, done so many things, spent so much money! It's Great!" Jaime plans to attend The University of Texas at Austin. At The University, He plans to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology. After his degree, he plans to attend Texas A&M College of medicine. Jaime said "My high school years have definitely lived up to my expectations . . . utterly unforgettable!" And he guesses that's good, because chances are that he won't be seeing many of his friends very often, if ever again. "I know it's a sad thought, but that's life." He says that he'll just have to look back and remember those people for the love and happiness that they shared in his life. Jaime would like to be remembered as "The guy who would bug you, and bug you until you laughed." He'd like to sincerely thank all of his friends. "Thanks a lot for being true friends, because without you, there is no me. If there's nobody to make laugh, then there's no Jaime Mancha." A special thanks goes to his friend "Mr. Mouth." He also went on to say "Through Mr. "C", Mr. "Z", and "Mom" Doyle I have become a more responsible, more disciplined human being. But most importantly, to my Mother and Father . . . althought I've made you proud man a time, I know that I've also disappointed you. I'd just like to thank you both for steering me in the right direction, for always being there when I needed to talk, and well just for everything you've ever done for me. I love you both!" Jaime also wants to thank P.S.J.A. for two things . . . a wet walk to the band hall and an academic and social experience that he'll never forget!



# SENIOR FEATURES



*Robert Garza*

Robert Garza, is presently the treasurer of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Not only is he a good athlete who belongs to the football team and the track team, but is also very talented academically. Robert has been inducted into both Mu Alpha Theta, in which he is currently the treasurer, and to National Honor Society, which makes him feel that he has been held in high regard. Robert who was chosen Rotary Boy for the month of November, was also selected to attend the University of Texas Honors Elloquim. Robert's plans are to attend the University of Texas to study pharmacy and hopefully be accepted to the school of Pharmacy. Robert says his Senior year has been "Great!" really enjoyed picking on the sophomores and juniors, and I've also made a lot of new friends doing it. I feel that I have earned the respect of the teachers and students that I have been associated with. First of all I would like to thank all of my teachers who have helped me make it through. Mostly I would like to thank all of the coaches of the mighty - P.S. - J.A. Bears football team, who have molded me into a responsible adult and taught me to fight for what I want in life.



*Viola Garcia*

A member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, A cheerleader her sophomore, junior, and senior year, Viola Garcia has also had time to participate in the Varsity Track team where she holds the office of captain. Viola says that during her high school years not only did she learn about Shakespeare, and dancing participles but she also experienced things that will prepare her for the real world. While the abc's prepared her for the world of education, her experiences with cheerleading, track, and F.C.A. prepared her for the world of responsibilities. While experiencing a loss in track helped her to fight back and win, so did the C prepare her to fight back and get an A and excel. Viola also went on to say that her life has been full of Up's and Down's but with all these preparations she's learned to endure and fight for what she really wants. She feels that everything, she ever wanted she's gotten, from winning district in track to getting the honor roll. She felt that her sophomore year was kind of wasted until April when she got the "Super-Soph" award at the all sports Banquet. This award helped her to realize she had a lot more going for her, then she realized. Viola's plans for the future include going to college and becoming a doctor. "I would like to thank Robert Garza for picking my chin up every time it was about to hit rock bottom." And she also wanted to thank Johnny and Pac for a great football season and great pizza. "These guys along with a couple of other great friends made my senior year the most unforgettable year I'll ever have." She also wanted to express the biggest and warmest thank you to her mother by saying, "I couldn't have done it without my mother's support both emotionally and financially, Thank's For everything Mom!"



*Karl Johnson*

Karl Johnson the Vice-president for F.H.A. and also the treasurer for F.F.A. has really enjoyed his senior year "I think it's really great!" I feel I've accomplished keeping my grades up and meeting new people. I've also had more fun this year, than any of my other school years." The primary reason, why Karl enrolled in F.F.A. is because of his great interest in farming. He likes to do anything from cultivating and plowing fields, to calf roping. Art, motorcycling, fishing, and dating his girlfriend, are other hobbies that Karl likes to do. He also likes to spend time with "The Party Reptiles," which are his friends, Mike Ortega, Alex Rodriguez, Paul Zuniga, Armando Castilleja, Jaime Garza, and Jose Garcia. "Dating my girlfriend isn't really a hobby, but I just thought I'd put her down as one. If there's anyone out there in the world that doesn't know my girlfriend just look for the prettiest girl in the campus. Her name is Maggie Olivarez and I care for her a whole lot, you might even say I love her. She might not know this but she's the best thing that ever happen to me. After my basics here at Pan American, I hope to go to the University of Florida to study for dentistry, and Oral surgery.



*Yvonne Herrera*

Yvonne Herrera, a senior, is an active member of the Bearettes, where she holds the office of 1st captain. She's a two year member of N.H.S., secretary of the French Club, and a member of Mu Alpha Theta. Yvonne's accomplishments have been Who's Who among American High School Student's, Who's Who in American Drill Teams, and is presently in the Honor Roll list, was Rotary girl for December, and was Super star girl for 1985. Yvonne plans to attend Trinity University and pursue a career in medicine. When asked about her senior year Yvonne stated, "Well, my senior year did not result as I expected. The unexpected things in life have interfered during my senior year. But as for being a senior, I feel wonderful and ready to go out into the real world and pursue my goals in life." Yvonne would like to wish the Class of '86 the best of luck in the future. She would also like to thank two special people, Judy Martinez and David Bentancourt for helping her keep a smile through her senior year.



## SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS 1985-86



**Iliana Alanis**  
**President**



**Mark Gonzalez**  
**Vice-President**



**Yvette Thornburg**  
**Secretary**

This year has come and gone. We will never share these times together again. But we stop to realize that P-SJ-A High has changed our lives. For some in more ways than one. We've shared many victories and many disappointments but somehow we never lost our traditional Bear Pride. As in everyone's case there is someone there to listen to them, in mine, thank God, there were many. I'd like to extend my gratitude toward, Mr. Ramos who always had the right words to say to me. To my Mom who always pushed me to do more, "don't give up" she always said. To my Dad who always tried to give me what he couldn't have. I Love You Both. To my best friends Yvette and Val who always put up with my stupidity and ignorance. To Johnny, Fred, Jackie, Ray, Sonny, and Jerry thanks for the good times, times that will always be remembered and treasured. To Rod, what would we have without you and your words of experience. Thank-You so much. I guess, I should thank John and Phill, for showing me so much about life and it's disappointments and for leaving me with so many memories good and bad. I Love You All! Now, we say goodbye but rest assured we, the Class of '86, will never forget P-SJ-A High School.

Making it through High School has prepared me for an outstanding future. It has shown me responsibility, scholarship, and leadership. I would like to thank several people who helped me contend with my success as a senior. My sincere thanks to: The Senior Officers, Mrs. Doyle, Mr. Z. and finally my parents and family for their support through hard time.

Through out my high school years I experienced many obstacles but with the help of certain people I've finally made it to my Senior year. The end of my Senior year is a sad but much awaited time in my life. No more pep-rallies, or Friday night football games, and what I'm really going to miss is seeing all my friends on a regular basis. Let me say thanks to mom and dad for always knowing my feelings. To two special teachers whom I consider two of my dearest friends, Ms. Laurel and Rod. Thanks also to my best friends: Iliana, Jackie, Rey, Johnny, Jerry, Sonny, Pac, Isaac, Danny, and of course Ben, Thanks I love you. One person who I can't ever forget is my best pal Fred, you can't make me laugh enough and you've always been there for me. Thanks to you all and I hope you know you have my love always.



**Sigi Camarillo**  
**Treasurer**



**Cris Bearden**  
**Parliamentarian**

I am very fortunate to have been chosen as a Senior Class Officer. I have shared the closeness of working with the other officers and getting to know them personally. I have many memories of P-SJ-A most of them of Mr. Gill's Calculus class. I wish you all the best of luck, and look forward to seeing you at our class reunion.


In my three years here, I have made a lot of friends and lots of fun. I would like to thank my teachers, counselors, and principals for all their help and guidance. The Class of '86 has been through good times and hard times, successes and failures, triumphs and disappointments and still we are the Mighty Seniors of '86. I would like to say thanks to Lizette, Mom and Rey, for all their support, I love you all very much.



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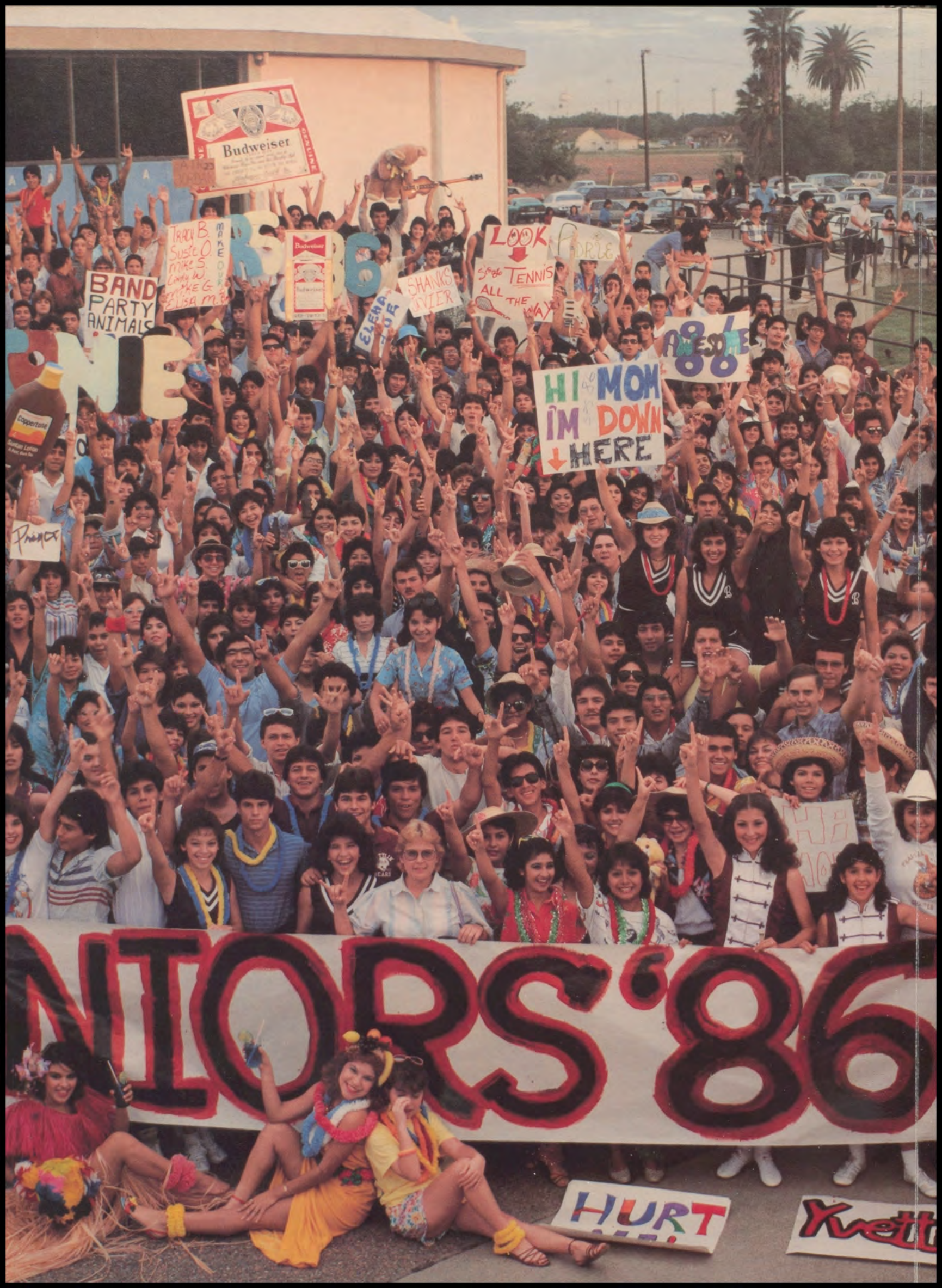






# PSJA SENIORS HAVING KICKS IN '86





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# HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU ADMINISTRATION

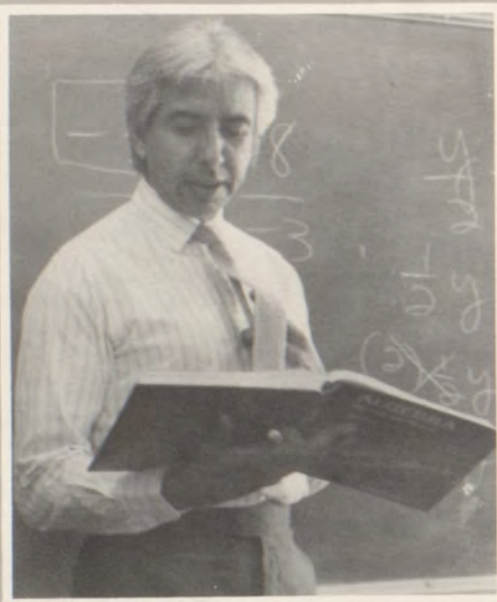
Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School has long been known for it's members' achievements in sports, academics and music. Yes, we have been lucky to have so many talented students come to our school. Students who with the least of guidance push themselves to excel in their areas of interest and who will undoubtedly be among the future leaders of our country. Among those few truly gifted students are those who without a little encouragement and support could not have become fulfilling individuals. The support and counseling needed by these students is given by a very qualified staff of experienced individuals who have dedicated most, or part, of their lives to guide and instruct us-the future generation. Yet, year in and year out, we have overlooked this essential part of our lives. School staff, administration, personnel-people we take for granted. These people we see everyday (more than our parents sometimes) help us plan our future and shape our present lives. In our school we have a total of 160 true professionals. These people are the nurturers, the ones who keep up the truth, honor and integrity of our school. The people who put the capital letters in the word PRIDE! The beginners and amateurs, guided by our distinguished panel of department heads, will one day be the core of our education. Let us now quietly and respectfully observe the activities and positions of the many people who, not only instruct us, but, keep us on our feet with our chins high-proud of our school.

**JAVIER PORTALES-ADMINISTRATION EDITOR**









page 72 top left hand corner; Mr. Longoria, Building Trades instructor, "There's nothing like a pre Bear vs. Bobcats snack." top right; Mr. Fuentes and Mr. Rodriguez (band directors) do it all, work hard, relax and enjoy their meal at the Homemaking Tea for teachers at Christmas. far left center- Mr. Serna is seriously solving certain problems for his class. center- Coach R. Vela after school in the Journalism room. center right- Mr. Gonzalez, chemistry teacher, figuring out a way to teach a lesson. bottom left corner- Hey Rod! The basketball court is on the other side of the gym. page 73 center left picture- Mr. Nieto, math teacher, feels at home in a challenging environment. center right- Mr. Alaniz, Mr. Ramos, and Mr. Flores at the Mission game waiting, talking and ready for another Bear win. below left-JROTC Sergeant Palacios on his way to class. below right- Mrs. Marquez and Mr. Ramirez in the library.

## ARE OUR TEACHERS COMPETENT?

Many questions have been raised concerning competency tests and the reason behind the law. Teachers argue that the certificate for which they worked so hard to acquire is being put aside for new requirements from legislators. Not all teachers are taking it seriously. Some just swallow their pride, grit their teeth and take it in stride, along with the rest of the 'not very smart' decisions made in behalf of teachers. Although arguments broke out and blood boiled, each teacher from PSJA set out to prove their competency by passing the infamous TECAT (Texas Examination of Current Administrators and Teachers). The constitutionality of the law to take the test has been questioned, and as the lawsuits find their way into District Courts, one can only wonder if the struggle for academic excellence is turning into a fight for survival.



# PSJA: DEDICATED TO EXCELLENCE

With all the talk about educational reformation, more than one of us has stopped and wondered whether such drastic changes in our school system are more detrimental than constructive. In reality, laws, national surveys and TESTS, are just papers that give our congressmen something to do, make other states look good and clutter our already overworked teachers' desks. But that is not important. What matters most is what's under all of that-the dedicated teacher.

The dedicated teacher is the one who knows that being a teacher is more than just another eight hour job, accepts the fact, manages to take each day patient-

ly, keeps his/her job in realistic perspective, and gets a unique sense of satisfaction from it. He/she also recognizes students as individuals, which is necessary to successfully discipline the students into responsible adults; a quality which is more important than 'Christopher Columbus discovered America',  $\Pi r^2 =$  circumference of a circle', and 'the period is used at the end of a sentence'.

An unknown teacher once wrote: "I think of a picture of a cat hanging on the edge of a roof by one claw. My goal is to 'Hang in there' until teachers, as a group, take control of the educational process, and where it is heading".

That same person wrote: "A college education will prepare you for a good job working for a millionaire with an eighth grade education." But nobody could have summed up the importance of education as good as Dwight D. Eisenhower: "Because our schools help shape the mind and character of our youth, the strength or weakness of our educational system today will go far to determine the strength or weakness of our national morality tomorrow. That is why it is essential to our nation that we have good schools. And their quality depends on us."



Below is Mr. Wesley Van Matre, who is PSJA's Director of Vocational Programs, who was selected as 'Texas Outstanding Vocational Administrator of the Year for 1986'. Van Matre was judged on his professional associations, and his contributions to vocational programs. Van Matre competed at the Region IV level with four other designees from Mississippi, New Mexico, Louisiana, and Oklahoma. Van Matre has been an educator for the past 32 years. He was selected as a state winner from a list of seven area nominees by TVASA State Executive Committee.





# HISTORY: RELIVING THE PAST



Mr. E. Ballew  
History Dept. Head



Mr. D. Anders



Mr. R. Castillo



Mr. J. de la Garza



Mr. J. Torline

*In a short quote, how would you sum up the importance of education?*

*"Knowledge is power."*

J. Torline

*"The world is dark with ignorance — and each person I teach helps light one more "candle" to dispel that darkness."*

E. J. Ballew

*I come to work with the attitude that I will perform better than I feel.*

J. Torline

*As a teacher from PSJA, what kind of benefits do you receive from teaching?*

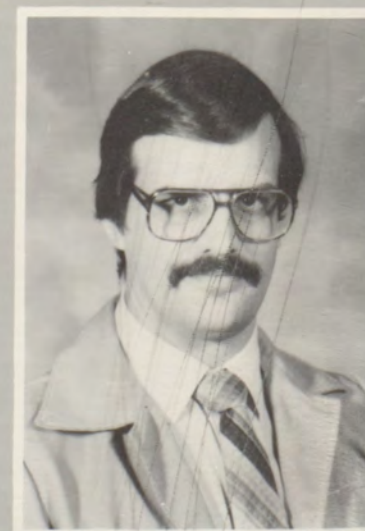
*Personal satisfaction in helping young people improve themselves - as well as financial. I am a lifetime professional and earn my livelihood by teaching.*

E. J. Ballew

*To learn and never be filled is wisdom; to teach and never be weary is love.*



Mr. C. Rendon



Mr. R. Flores



# ENGLISH: COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY



Mr. L. Bounous  
English Dept. Head

*As a teacher from PSJA, what kind of benefits do you receive from teaching?  
The personal benefit is knowing that I am lending a hand in culturally and academically preparing my students for the outside world.*

K. Reynolds

*I feel that I am doing something positive with my life. It's a challenge and there is never a dull moment.*

D. De Sutter

*"All the people on the outside care about is if you can, or if you can't."*

Marva Collins



Mrs. D. Castillo



Mrs. H. Denner



Mrs. D. De Sutter



Mrs. I. Dubberly



Mr. J. Edgington



Mrs. V. Gamez



Mrs. Jennings



Mrs. K. Reynolds



Mr. R. Villa



# MATH: NOT JUST NUMBERS

*In keeping yourself motivated and interested in teaching, what kind of goals do you set?*

*Do the best I can.*

*Do the most I can.*

*Be happy with what I do!*

*S. Nieto*

*Who is your favorite teacher?*

*-myself 1st*

*Then teachers like Mr. Ballew and Mrs. Saulsbury who were my teachers when I came to PSJA back in the 60's.*

*Mrs. O. Arredondo*



*Mrs. S. Saulsbury  
Math Dept. Head*



*Mr. A. Arcaute*



*Mrs. O. Arredondo*



*Mrs. S. Garcia*



*Mr. J. Gill*



*Mrs. S. Leal*



*Mr. C. Pena*



*Mr. J. Serna*



*Mrs. D. Shields*



*Mrs. E. Tovar*



# SCIENCE: KNOWLEDGE FROM EXPERIMENTATION



*Mrs. M. Q. Cajina*



*Mr. B. Wood*  
*Science Dept. Head*



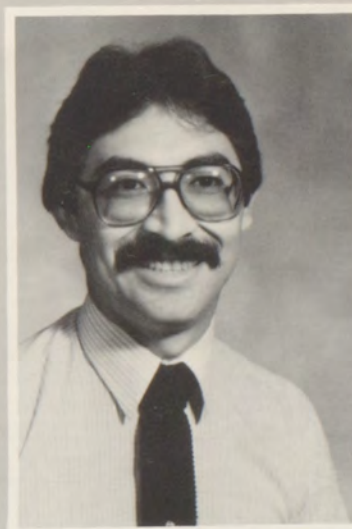
*Mr. R. Gonzalez*



*Mrs. A. Perez*

*"There is nothing that will  
happen today that God and I  
can't handle"*

*A.L. Perez*



*Mr. H. Sandoval*

*As a teacher from PSJA, what kind of benefits do you  
receive from teaching?*

*I get the joy of watching little light bulbs flicker on when  
a student has finally grasped a concept.*

*A.L. Perez*

*Is teaching a big part of your life or do you have other  
activities or special interests?*

*Teaching is a large part of my life. I enjoy it so much  
that being a sponsor of an organization is another daily  
challenge of chaotic joy.*

*A.L. Perez*



# BUSINESS: GEARING TO THE WORLD OF COMMERCE

*As a teacher from PSJA, what kind of benefits do you receive from teaching?*

*A sense of satisfaction when a student comprehends a new idea or concept. A feeling of joy when something that we've discussed in class helps a student in a real life situation.*

S.C. Scales

*In keeping yourself motivated and interested in teaching, what kinds of goals do you set?*

*Learning the newest additions to our field and the latest applications of perhaps already known tools of the trade.*

S.C. Scales



Mrs. N. Guajardo



Mrs. M. Guzman



Mr. F. Hallock  
Business Dept. Head



Mrs. D. Martinez

*I believe education opens up our lives to a vast world of possibilities. It also gives us the tools to bring about positive growth and opportunities for fun in our lives.*

S.C. Scales



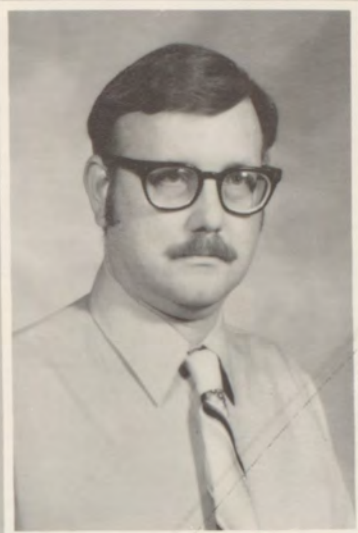
Mrs. S.C. Scales



# MUSIC: ENDING ON A HIGH NOTE



*Mrs. C. Beene*



*Mr. M. Coleman*



*Mr. P. Cisneros*  
*Music Dept. Head*

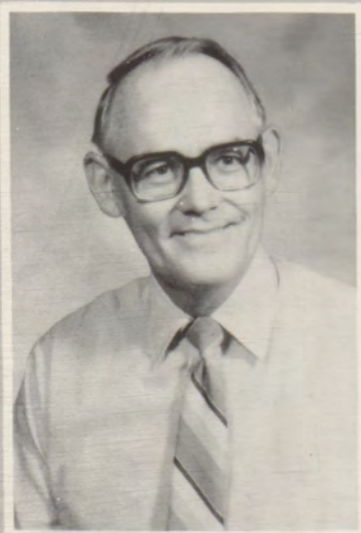
*This year, the band staff welcomed a couple of talented directors. New to the valley and to our high school, are Ms. Beene, from Baylor, who instructs oboe and saxophone, and Mr. Coleman from North Texas State University who teaches flute. Mr. L. Maldonado was back after an absence of two years.*



*Mr. L. Maldonado*



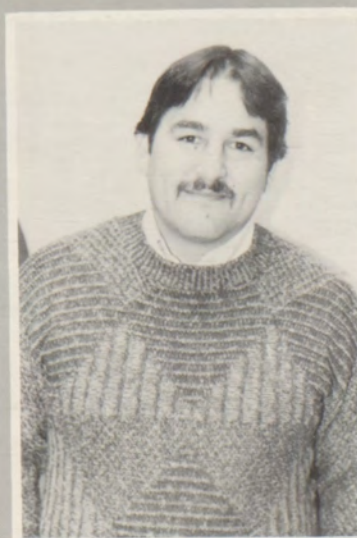
*Mr. J.E. Rodriguez*



*Mr. J. Swafford*



*Mr. J. Taylor*



*Mr. E. Fuentes*



# HOMEMAKING: LEARNING HOME MANAGEMENT



*Mrs. G. Champion  
Homemaking Dept. Head*



*Mrs. N. Cantu*



*Mrs. J. Garza*



*Mrs. M. McInnis*



*Mrs. J. Ramos*

*Among the busiest people on campus are the Homemaking sponsors. The six teachers and their respective subjects are; Mrs. Champion, Consumer Ed. and Family Living; Mrs. Cantu, HECE and Child Development; Mrs. Rodriguez, Hom. I and Child Development; Mrs. Ramos, Hom. II and Child Development; Mrs. McInnis, Hom. II and I; Mrs. Garza, Hom. I and Home Furnishings. By the way, that is Mrs. Ramos & Mrs. Rodriguez at the annaul FHA/HERO installation of officers. (picture above).*



*Mrs. V. Rodriguez*



# VOCATIONAL: SKILLS FOR THE FOR THE FUTURE



*Mrs. M. Alaniz*



*Mr. R. Daniel*



*Mrs. E. De la Garza*



*Mr. F. Galvan*



*Mr. E. Garcia*



*Mr. H. Longoria*



*Mr. B. Montemayor*



*Mr. R. Ramirez*



*Mr. W. Van Matre*



*Mr. A. Willingham*



*Mr. R. Zavala*

*There is no substitute for experience! Students who get to take a vocational course will achieve a broader education and preparedness for the world of work.*

*Mr. F. Galvan*



*Mrs. M. Alvarez  
Voc. Counselor*



*Mrs. N. Pequeno  
Voc. Secretary*

*As a teacher coordinator, I believe I get a greater personal satisfaction from teaching than a regular teacher, because I work very close with my students during and after they leave our high school.*

*My favorite teacher is the one who acts, thinks, works, and cries as a professional.*

*Mr. G. Galvan*



# DR. ED., JROTC, SP. ED., P.E./HEATH



Mrs. V. Garza



Mr. M. Gonzalez



Mr. A. Martinez



Mrs. B. Villareal

Besides the required classes to graduate, there are a couple of other electives that students can select. They are Drivers Ed. and JROTC. The teachers in these subjects are really unique. The instructors have a great deal of responsibility when guiding inexperienced drivers. Equally unique is JROTC. The sponsors operate under military rules as well as scholar. You can just see how much pride they have in their job as military personnel. As you know, Sp. Ed. is not an elective. The teachers in this program are really special, as well as their students. It takes a certain kind of dedication and lots of patience to hold that job. Having these teachers at PSJA gives mentally underdeveloped students a chance to learn under an open school environment. It also gives us students a perspective of how much we take for granted.



Sgt. A. Martinez



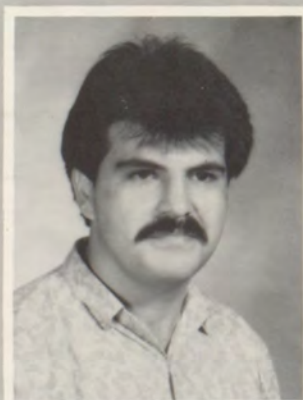
Sgt. A. Palacios



Col. G. Weaver



Mrs. E. Pollard



Mr. D. Rodriguez



Mr. R. Rodriguez



Mr. L. Almanza



Mr. D. Rivera



Mr. A. Uriegas



# THE ELECTIVE COURSES . . .



Mrs. J. Doyle  
UIL Coordinator



Mr. R. Martinez  
TV Prod.



Mr. A. Rodriguez  
Journalism



Mr. G. Zepeda  
Drama



Mrs. B. Laurel  
Sociology



Mrs. R. Ruiz  
F. Language

What do you do when you have only two required classes but need extra credits to graduate? There are many elective classes in the school curriculum. Classes like Drama, Journalism, Spanish, Homemaking and Computer Math, to name a few. You don't have to settle for something that you don't like. And remember: Unless you're lazy or don't show up for class, There's no reason why you shouldn't pass.

What is the nurses day like? Good question. Is she always busy? With an average of 19 sick students per day, the nurse and her assistant, Mrs. Hinojosa, have plenty to do. It is comforting to know that we have a qualified person in the medical field, to be there when we feel under the 'weather'. So if you think there is good enough reason to have an excuse to go home, see the nurse, she might save your day.



Mrs. J. Miller  
Nurse



Mrs. F. Hinojosa  
Asst. Nurse



# STUDENT TEACHERS: GAINING EXPERIENCE



*Student teachers from Moorehead State University that completed their student teaching here at PSJA High School are: Suzanne Solberg; York North Dakota, Jennette Gasal; Jamestown North Dakota, Standing: Thomas Gaslin; Wadena Minnesota, Marty Heiden; West Fargo North Dakota, and Mike O'Connor; Fargo North Dakota.*



*Student teacher Mrs. Terry Tamez taught Biology and was assisted by Mr. Hector Sandoval. Here Tamez completes her workload in lesson plans.*



*Mr. G. Panola was a student teacher during the fall semester, and assisted Mrs. V. Hernandez in the Spanish Department.*

Becoming a teacher is a long studious process. Besides having to take extra classes on their chosen teaching profession and being required to take competency tests, the teacher to be, goes through a semester of training in a classroom before going out and becoming a certified teacher.

This year's student teachers were many during both the fall and spring semester. The student teacher faced many difficult challenges besides teaching their field. The student teachers went through enormous work of: recording the amount of hours teaching, student evaluations, making tests, never ending lesson plans, recording grades, and make-up tests. But most of all, it was the responsibility of each student in the learning process. The student teacher faced the growing need of self respect as well as the respect of his/her own student. Do students learn anything from student teachers? That's a difficult question to ask, for it's the student's own opinion if they learned anything. This year, five Moorehead State University students came down to PSJA to student teach, thus concluded their training to become successful teachers in March. See picture above.



# PSJA LIBRARY: MEETING STUDENT AND TEACHER'S NEEDS



*PSJA Library Staff are: left to right- Mrs. Marquez, Mrs. Rodriguez, Sister Rose, Mrs. Chapa, Mrs. Trejo*



*Mrs. Chapa busy xeroxing copies for many of the PSJA students. Students are usually charged 5¢.*

*It has been said that knowledge is power, and the student body must really be aware of the fact. Attendance to the library has gradually increased in the past few years, up to a total of 68,112 last year. Circulation of materials including books, audio/visual equipment, periodicals and vertical files has been over 23,000. These kind of statistics prove that PSJA students are getting down to business and taking advantage of the 22,000 plus books in our library. According to Mrs. Marquez, the second and last semesters are usually the busiest, due to the large number of students busy on their English research papers. For all your informational needs from magazine articles to encyclopedias, almanacs and films, the librarians at PSJA will be glad to help teachers and students alike.*



*Library assistant Mrs. Trejo and Senior Melinda Garza disclose a joke afterschool, while Sister Rose in the background busy at the card catalog.*



# CUSTODIANS: THEIR WORK IS NEVER DONE



Keeping the campus clean; standing, A. Leos, R. Montes, O. Lopez, L. Garcia, H. Alaniz, J.R. Medina, P. Cuellar, Sitting, A. Martinez, J. Garza, M. Belmares, M.A. Trevino, A. Perez, A. Losoya, J. Montes



Mr. Montes as head custodian.



Taking a much deserved break after a long morning is Mr. A. Martinez and Mr. A. Leos.

Is the custodians job ever completed? In a way yes, by the end of the day. But their job is never finished. Everyday starting early as 6:00 AM custodians are ready to clean up and maintain around the school campus. Each custodian is assigned a certain number of rooms. Their responsibility is to make sure that every day those rooms are swept, trash cans emptied and defective sharpeners and damaged doorknobs replaced. The custodians here at PSJA are in a way responsible for our well being. They are under strict supervision to keep our school in a pleasant environment. Spills are mopped, floors are waxed, erasers rid of dust, and windows cleaned. The staff is composed of more than 15 men and women who in reality know the high school inside out. So every morning when students come to school they will enter a learning atmosphere that is both pleasant and clean.



Mrs. Trevino busy at working cleaning windows in the administration building.



# PSJA CAFETERIA STAFF: SERVING 30,000 DAILY



Above is the PSJA Cafeteria Staff, both morning and afternoon shifts. Although the above people are only 35, there are over 50 more workers. The staff, mostly composed of ladies, provides the school district with the best possible meals.



Cafeteria cashiers are, left to right: Janie Escobar, Esmeralda Alvarado, Elizabeth Saucedo and Mary Castillo.

The growing student population here at PSJA High School has really put pressure on the cafeteria staff. Daily meals including breakfast total over 30,000. The staff is presently operating under two shifts. Starting as early as 3 am, the morning shift prepares breakfasts, and starts the lunch, which are immediately sent to other schools in the district. Later in the day as the afternoon shift takes over, lunch for the next day is started, taking up to three days when it comes to enchiladas. Mr. Cano's job includes making sure meals are nutritious and are rotated to avoid boredom. He also makes sure correct quantities of vegetables, meat and milk are delivered to the central kitchen. Preparing meals for students takes time and patience, and once again dedication stands out at PSJA.



Mr. Cano is director of food services for the PSJA ISD.



# SECRETARIES AND OFFICE BUSY BODIES



*Mrs. O. Cantu, Mrs. Castillo; Registrars*



*Mrs. M. Pequeno, Mrs. Ines Silva, Homero Pena, Mrs. Linda Vasaldua; (not shown is Jose Luis Andrade), Office Computer Programers*



*Mr. Garza  
Attendance Coordinator*



*Mrs. Mettlach, Mrs. A. Garza, Mrs. T. Castillo; Front Office Secretaries*



*Ms. Helen Garza  
Bookkeeper*

Many jobs are performed at the front office by our secretaries. They range from Class counts, transportation requests, in-school suspension reports, and keeping track of faculty absentees, to helping with locker problems and selling various school supplies. Mr. Garza's main job at the front office is keeping up with student absentees and truancy problems. With these two major school problems, Mr. Garza keeps busy much of the day. Thanks to Mrs. E. Gonzalez, who helps tremendously, his job is a lot easier. The computers sure made the office personnels' job less tedious and helped ease the workload. Their jobs throughout the day are data entry, attendance, schedule-ins, grades, student information, and attendance reports. Ms. Garza, the bookkeeper, faced a tough job, which is keeping the ledgers of all PSJA clubs and informing them if they were in the red or black.



# COUNSELORS: GUIDANCE TO THE RIGHT DIRECTION



*Ms. Flores*



*Ms. Herrera*



*Mr. Loreda*



*Mrs. Solis*



*Mrs. Thomas*



*Mrs. Willingham*



*Mr. Zuniga*



*Mrs. Munoz*  
*Secretary*

Today's counselors are at the top of the list when it comes to variety in the job. Their duties range from being a personal advisor and friend to helping students choose the right classes and getting in touch with the college students plan to attend. During the winter and early spring the counselors make sure upperclassmen get all of the information needed to get them on their way to a higher education. Although the student may be one of hundreds of students assigned to a counselor, he/she is ready to help the student with their individual situation.



# PRINCIPALS: IMPLEMENTING ACADEMICS



Mr. F. Alanis  
Principal

Have you ever wondered why we have so many assistant principals? Under the direction of **Mr. F. Alanis**, we have six assistant principals here at the high school. Mr. Alanis' main responsibilities are concerning the budget, counselors, and security. A recent addition to the office administrators is **Mr. Scott Owings**- Curriculum Facilitator. Being in charge of honors program, TEAMS testing, UIL Literary Events, Textbook selection, and dropout students (among many other duties), Mr. Owings has quite a responsibility. The assistant principals' jobs range from scheduling and registration to building use requests, visitor permits, teacher assessment, and discipline, a job which is shared by five of the principals. **Miss Hilda Garza**, who first started as a counselor here at PSJA, and is presently an assistant principal who will be leaving us next year.



Mr. A. Farias



Miss H. Garza



Mr. D. Guitierrez



Mr. L. Haldiman



Mr. S. Owings



Mr. L. Ramos



# PSJA SCHOOL BOARD: IMPLEMENTING 'EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS'



Central Office Administration for 1985-86 are: left to right: Mr. R. Light, Asst. Supt. for Personnel; Mr. M. Perez, Business manager; Mr. R. Lopez, Asst. Supt. for Instruction; Mr. J. McKeever, Director of Secondary Education; Mr. E. Alvarado, Asst. Supt. for Administration.



Mr. C. Salinas Jr.  
Vice President



Mr. F. Mancias  
Secretary Treasure



Mr. R. Yzaguirre  
School Board Member



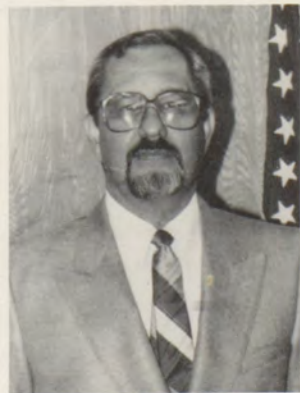
Mr. C. Villegas  
School Board Member



Mr. J. Ruiz  
Assistant Secretary Treasure



Mr. R. Lizcano  
School Board Member



Mr. A. Guerra  
Superintendent

The School Board's main objective for the 85-86 school year was 'Excellence in Academics.' Their energy was focused on enforcing state laws on education, mastery learning in the classroom, tutoring and introducing a proposal for a \$20 million bond issue to build much needed educational facilities including a new high school. The proposal passed on February 1st 1986.

The Texas Examination of Current Administrators and Teachers (TECAT) was also taken by central office administrators. Our Superintendent, Mr. Gus Guerra even had to take it as well. The school board faced challenges with other neighboring districts. Not only did PSJA ISD faced over crowding, but at the beginning of the school year, a teacher shortage. By the middle of the school year, all schools had enough responsible working teachers. Through out the year, the school board worked endlessly to make PSJA ISD a top rated school district.



# HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU... ORGANIZATIONS

Organizations or clubs, two different words that have the same meaning, these two words mean togetherness, pride, socializing, meeting new friends, receiving prestigious honors, and many other personal advantages.

Togetherness. Of course while in school your together with other students, but when your among peers of the same organization there is a sameness you share, a sense of unity and a sense of security that is comforting. The bring out pride and strengthen the organization.

Pride in ones club should be shared by all, as well as felt by the individual member. No matter the membership of a club is twenty or two hundred, pride is an ingredient no club should be without. A teen-ager's social life is an essential part of maturing. By joining and participating in club activities a teen-ager can better bring out his sociable upbringing. And of course you are bound to meet new friends by socializing in a club.

Besides meeting new friends, by entering a club one may strive for excellence and as a reward for work well done and well done or an honor of great prestige. Many awards given an award or an honor of great prestige. Many awards and honors have been bestowed upon students in recent years, and they have proven to be of great importance as a person pursues his career.

All in all belonging to a club brings about a sense of belonging, as well as being in student activities. Often enough a student will not feel secure until he has joined a club. There is a club for every student, all one must do is join.

Y. THORNBURG, J. SANDERS, J. JACKSON, R. GARZA, L. DIAZ





**R. TORRES, G. GONZALEZ, N. VELA- ORGANIZATION EDITORS**



# FHA: "TOWARDS NEW HORIZONS"

Future Homemakers of America's purpose is to promote growing appreciation of homemaking and to work for a good home and family life. This year's activities for Future Homemakers of America included raising money for the Statue of Liberty, the March of Dimes Walk-A-Thon, a marathon, the Great American Smokeout, selling of Goo-Goos Candy, and taco sales. The Future Homemakers of America met once a month on Tuesdays, and they are led by officers Judy Estrada, Edith Gonzalez, Melissa Martinez, Trinidad Medina, Cara Capt, Yvonne Champion, and Karl Johnson. Future Homemakers of America Sponsors are Mrs. J. Ramos, Mrs. J. Garza, Mrs. M. McKinnis, Mrs. N. Cantu, Mrs. G. Champion, and Mrs. V. Rodriguez.



Future Homemakers of America Sponsors: Left to Right- J. Ramos, J. Garza, M. McKinnis, N. Cantu, G. Champion, and V. Rodriguez.



FHA Group for 1985-86: Kneeling: Melissa Corns, Chris Ramirez, Yolanda Davila; First Row: Mrs. McKinnis, Mrs. Ramos, Mrs. Cantu, Mrs. Rodriguez, Idalia Sanchez, Juan Lujan; Second Row: Cynthia Zamarripa, Chris Hernandez, Yolanda Cardenas, Dolly Sanchez, Norma Olmeda, Martha Tijerina, Cynthia Ramirez, Chris Gomez, Rosie De Leon, Cara Capt; Last Row: Bonnie Palacios, Pat Abad, Yolanda Davila, Eddie Guerra, Judy Estrada, and Melissa Martinez.



FHA Officers for 1985-86 are: Front: Melissa Martinez, Secretary; Yvonne Champion, Vice President of Encounters; Cara Capt, Treasurer; Edith Gonzalez, Vice President of Programs; Annette Carlin, Vice President of FHA/HERO; Judy Estrada, Vice President of Recreation; and FHA President Jesse Munoz, Historian; Back: Reveriano Torres, Blanca Reyes, Parliamentarian; Karl Johnson, Vice President of Proficiency Events; and Trinidad Medina, Vice President of Relation.



FHA President Judy Estrada presided over all FHA duties.





*Eddie Guerra gives Judy Estrada pointers on how to thread a needle.*



*Melissa Martinez and Dolly Sanchez are busy setting up thread for their homemaking project.*



*Sylvia Cruz says "Yes, I do know how to sew."*



*Bonnie Palacios cutting a doll's dress. The dolls were made by the FHA for the Texas Sesquicentennial Celebration.*



# FHA CHRISTMAS PARTY A TOTAL SUCCESS

At Right: Mrs. Julie Bonous and Mr. Arnaldo Willingham tease Mr. Lyman Bonous about how much food he has on his plate. Center Right: Mr. Scott Owings (Curriculum Facilitator) and assistant Principal Mr. Adonai Gutierrez fill their plates with several sandwiches. Center Left: Woodshop teacher Mr. Kolberg wonders if he can get up and get seconds.

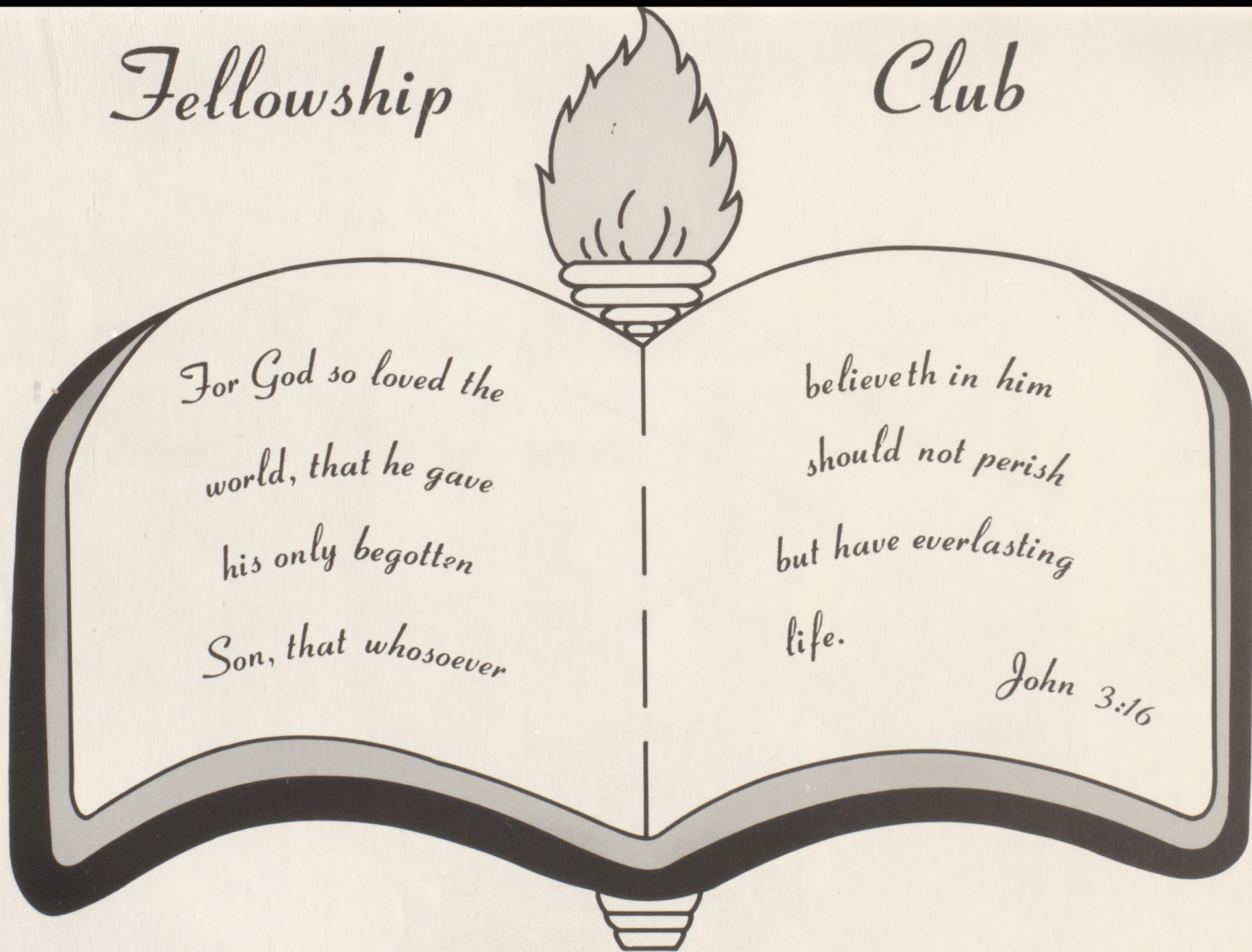


Above: Assistant Principal Mr. Luis Ramos and wife Mrs. Jane Ramos (Homemaking Instructor) sample the many cookies that were on hand during the Christmas party that was provided by the Homemaking Department. At Right: Mr. R. Zuniga asks, "You ate how many, Mr. Gutierrez!?" Mr. Zuniga and Mr. Gutierrez were only two of the many faculty members who attended the annual FHA Christmas party.



# Fellowship

# Club



Sponsor Betty Kelso. Officers; President-Norma Alicia Cantu, Secretary-J. Javier Escalante. Redrawn by Ric Torres



# I.C.T.-HANDS ON TRAINING

I.C.T. (Industrial Cooperative Training). These three words mean so much to this club. Training would have to be the most important of these three words. This is because hands-on-training is what the students of this club do. The students are employed by either I.C.T. employers or just concerned and interested employers who need a few good students. Students who keep their school grades up, and a good position at work and in their community. Through Mr. Ramirez this years club did exactly

that. They kept a good grade average. They also kept their jobs which proved their ability as a fellow worker. This also accounted for their community affairs. Thanks to a great group of students P.S.J.A. has yet another club to be proud of. I.C.T. has proved how their spirit is part of the backbone of the total P.S.J.A. body. Thanks for all those employers who have given these kids a chance to try, a chance to say "I'm from P.S.J.A.".



Mr. Rene Ramirez, I.C.T. coordinator.



L to R: C. Hernandez, J. Santoyo, F. Valero, J. Hernandez, J. Arraiga, M. Fiscal, B. Vega, H. Neubauer, A. Leal, G. Guerra, E. Alanis, R. Espino, G. Chaves, M. Abad, L. Pedraza, M. Reyes, J. Peres, J. Cruz, A. Saucedo.



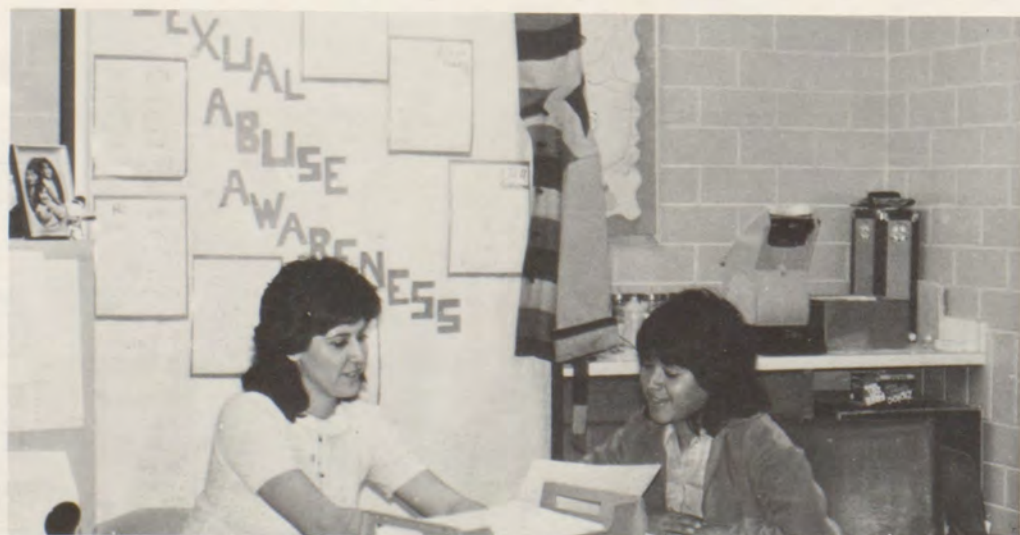
Felipe Alvarado and ICT employer Rene Garza.



L to R: F. Valero, J. Jimmerson, J. Martinez, R. Soto, F. Alvarado, F. Lozano, J. Flores, P. Coronado, L. Abitua, M. Hernandez, M. Renteria, M. Briseno, J. Rodriguez, M. Cardona, E. Borrego.



Linda Abitua works at MacDonald 3-D Signs.



Lucy Cuta and Mariselda Renteria-LBJ Nurse and Nurse-Aid.



Mr. Rodriguez and Jose Cruz-Maintenance helper.





*Juan Rodriguez worked at P.J.'s Unfinished Furniture.*



*Mario B. worked as an electrician.*



*Abel Saucedo worked at Stewart and Stevenson.*



*Rene Espino and Joe Santoyo work at All Home and Appliance Repair.*



*Felipe Valero worked at McAllen Rental.*



*Mario Fiscal prints for Mr. Bill MacDonald at MacDonald 3-D Signs.*



*Jason Jimmerson and Steve Lowrey at Colorgraphics*

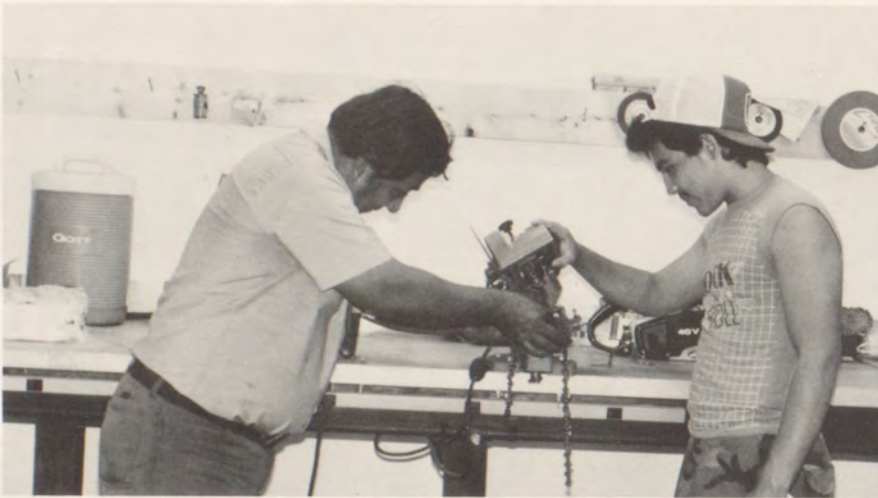




*Martha, Jaime, Benito, and Diana dance a cumbia.*



*Mr. Gonzalez and Jose Santoyo look over a microwave.*



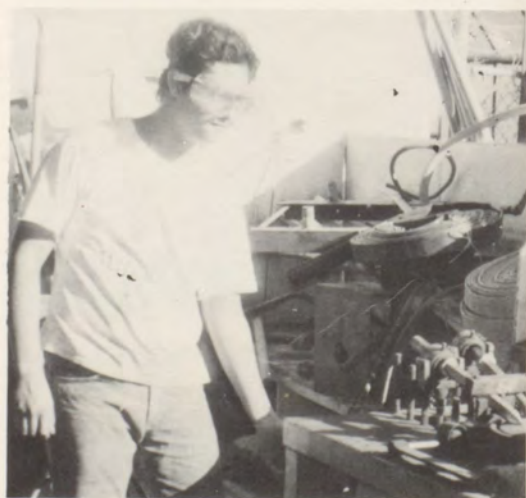
*Javier Garza worked at Weak Implement in Mission.*



*Robert and Juan look over test grades.*



*Benito Vega and Frank Escobar at Plantation South.*



*Felipe Valero worked at McAllen Rental.*



*Henry Newbauer and Roy at Roy's auto service.*



*Mr. Brown and Mario Cardona at J.C. Brown*



# BUILDING TRADES: BUILDING FUTURE HOMES



*Pouring the concrete base on their project*



*Students were getting ready for the concrete*

Building homes is exactly what this years Building Trades Club did. For the first time ever, the club had enough money to build a house all on their own. With Mr. Longoria in the Drivers seat, the club was able to get off on the right foot. They had their groundbreaking ceremonies in October and in only a period of three months they were able to put up the four walls of this future home. This will certainly account for future projects which they may have. Who knows maybe they'll build part of the new high school. Time will only tell. Thanks to everybody who took part in this memorable event. Thanks also to all those building suppliers who also took part in this project. Mr. Longoria congratulations on a job well done.



*This group of students did alot of the work in the class project*



*These are the officers for 1985-86.*



*These students are waiting on more concrete.*



*Mr. Longoria explains the work to a student.*



*These students took part in the ground breaking ceremonies in October. Both first and second year students were present to take part in the first step of their class project.*



*Mr. Longoria Building Trades Instructor*



# PSJA DECA CHAPTER III



*DECA Chapter III Members for 1985-86 are: Front Row- Blanca Barocio, Rosalinda Trevino, Ramon Pecina, Beto Carranza, Claribel Martinez, Eddie Escobedo, Bertha Salinas. Middle Row- Becky Gazca, Roxanne Garza, Olga Sanchez, Sandra Rendon, Margarita Dominguez, Sylvia Tovar, Miriam Espejo. Back Row- Javier Trevino, David Cantu, Rene Salinas, Raul Serna, Thomas Hardesty, Tony Abad, Jesus Gonzalez, and Mr. B. Montemayor.*



*Beto Carranza-President*



*Blanca Barocio-Reporter*



*David Cantu-Parliamentarian*

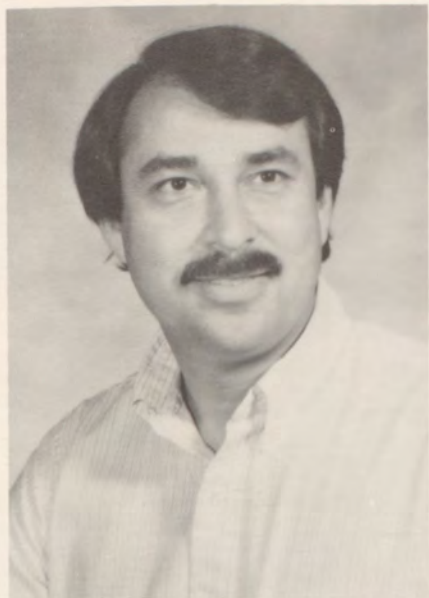


*Olga Sanchez-Chaplain*



*Olga Sanchez is ready to serve all customers at Dillards.*





*Chapter Sponsor, Mr. B. Montemayor*



*Tony Abad is ready to ring up all sales at Thom McAn Shoes.*



*Tom Hardesty is ready to serve all customers.*



*Roel Tovar is an employee at Brittany's in La Plaza Mall.*



*Rene Salinas is busy stocking shoes.*



# P-SJ-A DECA CHAPTER III



DECA Members include: Standing-Elisa, George, Arturo, Dacia; Sitting-Arnold, Diana, Julie, Eric, Rachal, Mirna, and Juan Ruben, Linda, Martin, Adam, Maureen, Elvia, Gilbert, Maricelda



DECA Members include: Standing-Robert R., Gilbert, Berta, Vickie, Sammy, Lupita, Adam G., Frank, Robert S., Ernie, Robert H., Leonel, Juan, Javier, Adam E., Romualdo, Feliza; Sitting-Blanca, Norma, Alicia, Esmeralda, Mary S., and Isabel.



Chapter III Sweethearts are: Gilbert Perez and Annabelle Salinas.



Mr. R. Daniel, Chapter Advisor



Chapter III Favorites are: Adam Escamilla and Norma Garcia.





*Gilbert Perez-President*



*Elvia Rocha-1st V.P.*



*Annabelle Salinas-2nd V.P.*



*Maureen Ortega-Secretary, Area 1st V.P.*



*Diana Gutierrez-Treasurer*



*Active Lab Students are: Back-Esmeralda, Feliza, Sammy, Ernie; Front-Blanca, Norma, Mary S., Alicia.*



*Area CDC Lineup includes: Front-Mary S., Elvia, Norma; Middle-Maureen, Blanca, Dacia, Julie; Back-Eric, Esmeralda, Gilbert, Maria Elena.*



*Area Leadership Conference: Front-Ernie, Gilbert, Jerry, Maureen, Esmeralda; Back-Elvia, Diana, Rachel, Dacia, Eric.*



*Dacia Perez-Parliamentarian*



*Juan Perez-Sgt. at Arms*



*Rachel Reyes-Reporter*



*Robert Olivarez-Historian*



*George Esquivel-Chaplain 105*



Below: Annabelle and Elisa, COOP II. Right: COOP II Officers- Back; George, Elvia, Dacia, Mr. Daniel. Front- Juan, Diana, Rachel, Maureen, Gilbert, Not Shown-Anna-belle, Robert. Center Left: Dacia. Center Middle: Gilbert looks at "Las Ciegas." Center Right: Transfers from Pre-Voc, Adam and Vicki.



Above-Isabel: An "A" Student. Right: Introduction to Marketing: "Good Looking Class."







At Right: Student Employees of the Month are: Arturo-December, Maureen-January, Julie-September, Elvia-August, Dacia-October, Gilbert-November. Left: State Collegiate Display Finalists are Gilbert, Eliva, Annabelle, Eric, and not shown, Maria Elena.



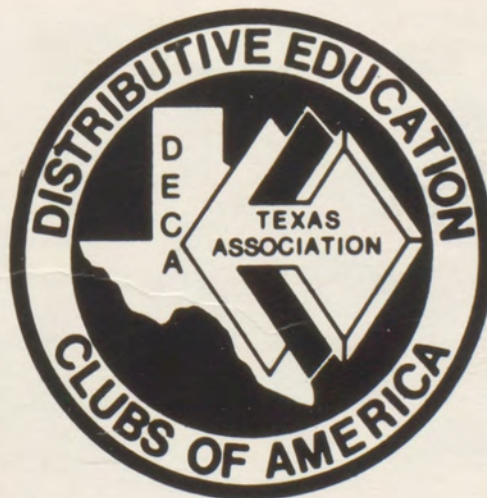
Lab members include: front-Mary, Maria Elena, Blanca; Back-Esmeralda, Norma



Area COOP Members include: Back-Gilbert; Standing-Maureen, Elvia, Dacia; Front- Eric, Julie



Left-Julie the chatter box. Right-Elvia doing what she does best.



Left Maureen- I Won!!! Right-Dajia protecting her balloon.





# PSJA DECA CHAPTER II



6th Period DECA Members are: Standing-Abel Martinez, Hugo Hernandez, Sam Mares, Tomas Garces, Diego Rodriguez, Roy Puente, Ruben Duran, Juan Palacios, Thomas Vargas. David Escobedo. Sitting-Rosa-

linda Gonzalez, Ronnie Rico, Sylvia Preciado, Yvonne Ramos, Cynthia Castro, Hilda Morales, Carmen Jauregui, Pat Galvan.



5th Period DECA Members are: Standing-Israel Almazan, Miguel Vela, Gabriel Avendano, Marcelo Saenz, Guadalupe Aleman, Fidel Gonzalez,

Jose Enriquez, Andres Cantu. Sitting-Elsa Solis, Linda Bocanegra, Christina Carrasco, Dalia Sandoval, Rita Cano, Rebecca Garza, Melissa Jimenez.



4th Period DECA Members are: Standing-Sergio Salinas, Geronimo Rodriguez, Jesus Martinez, Esmeralda Suarez, Juanita Lara, Victor Hernandez, Fidel Lara, Sotero Lopez, Jesus Mendoza. Sitting-Tina Rodri-

guez, Maria Rodriguez, Bertha Solis, Belinda Hernandez, Imelda Robledo, Sairea Trevino, Sylvia Beltran, Elizabeth Puentes, Maria Mendoza.





DECA Chapter II Officers are: Standing L to R-Gabriel Avendano, Rebecca Garza, Fidel Lara, Sylvia Preciado, Geronimo Rodriguez. Sitting-Imelda Robledo and Maria Mendoza. Not Shown is Ruben Duran.



Fidel Lara, President



Ruben Duran, First Vice President



Geronimo Rodriguez, Second Vice President



Jesus Martinez, Parliamentarian



Maria Mendoza



Imelda Robledo, Chaplain



Gabriel Avendano, Reporter



Mrs. E. de la Garza, Sponsor



## WHERE THE NEWS COMES FIRST-TV PRODUCTIONS



Top L. to R. Rey Martinez, Diana Gauna, Jerry Rodriguez, Randy Ivie, Max Salinas, seated-Angie De La Cruz, Mary Fonseca, Cris Bearden, San Juanita Villanueva.



Mr. Rey Martinez-Instructor

Lights, camera, action! Yes, you can always see the hard-working skillful PSJA TV crew anywhere and everywhere on campus. From pep-rallies, to basketball games, to school plays, and even in the halls, this group of dedicated students are learning the ropes of television with the help of TV advisor-Mr. Rey Martinez.

However, the group is not all TV cameras and film. For the first time at PSJA, the TV Production students pre-recorded music for the cafeteria jukebox, adding disc-jockeys and important school announcements. The idea of having music during lunch periods was that of the Student Council and was accomplished with the help of the PSJA TV Production Crew.

Leading this years group was Pres.-Randy Ivie, Vice Pres.-Santos Torres, Sgt. at Arms-Roman Villarreal, Treas.-Mark Adams, Parli.-Sergio Soto, Hist.-Adriana Garcia, Rep.-Mary Fonseca.

PSJA TV Production had a terrific year attending state competitions and such functions as the Annual Media Fair and helping out during the Labor Day Telethon for MDA. PSJA TV-Where The News Comes First!



1985-86 Officers-Vice-Pres.-S. Torres, Pres.-R. Ivie, Hist.-Adriana Carcia, Parl.-S. Soto, Treas.-M. Adams, Student Council Rep.-Cris Bearden, Sgt. at Arms-R. Villarreal, Rep. M.Fonseca.







*R. Ivie, S. Torres, M. Fonseca, A. Singletary, C. Bearden, S. Soto, M. Adams, attended the Annual Media Fair.*



*Sr. Santos Torres repairs a light!*



*PSJA TV-Lights, Camera, Action!*



*Sr. Cris Bearden focuses on a new subject.*



*Mary records for cafeteria Jukebox!*



*S. Torres, R. Villarreal, R. Ivie, M. Salinas, M. Adams, A. Singletary, M. Fonseca, Y. Fuentes, and C. Bearden helped out during the Labor Day Tele-thon.*





*CVAE 2nd period class members are as follows, kneeling left to right are: J. Serna-Sgt. at arms, J. Morales, J. Avila-Vice President. Standing left to right are as follows: N. Cantu-Treasurer, E. Mendoza, J. Hidalgo-President, J. Herrera, and B. Lopez-Reporter.*



*CVAE 3rd period class members are as follows, kneeling left to right: C. Villegas, E. Alcala, J. Alvarez, E. Gomez, C. Garza. Back row left to right: J. Olvera Jr., R. Valero, I. Luna, B. Salinas-Parliamentarian, J. Morin-Secretary, D. Rodriguez, D. Garza, and T. Martinez.*

*Thank-you for calling Whataburger, may I take your order?*



*CVAE Sponsor - Fausto Galvan*



*Norma & Delia smile for the camera.*



*T. Martinez gets ready for the rush.*



*Above- N. Cantu fixing the sign. Below- L. Gomez working at Whataburger.*





# CVAE - WORKING TOGETHER AS A TEAM



CVAE Officers are, left to right: J. Hidalgo- President, N. Cantu-Treasurer, B. Lopez-Reporter, and J. Serna-Sargent at arms.



D. Romo working at Mike's Man Shop.



Above-J. Herrera, and Below-J. Hidalgo are both ready to serve you.



CVAE is a club which strives in producing leaders who become good American Citizens and who are willing to help their fellow men unselfishly. Some of the goals for Coordinated Vocational Academic Education (CVAE) were to attend the District 26 VOCT Leadership Conference and to compete at the district, region, and state VOCT contests. Special recognition should be given to this year's officers which consist of: Juan Hidalgo-President, Juan A. Avila-Vice President, Janie Morin-Secretary, Blanca E. Lopez-Reporter, Norma A. Cantu-Treasurer, Bonifacio Salinas-Parliamentarian, and Jvier Serna-Sgt. at arms. The CVAE CO-OP club chapter 70 assisted at the District Leadership Conference with the opening ceremonies and lectures on leadership. The Conference was held on October 26, 1985 at the Memorial High School Campus. Over 1,000 VOCT members attended the conference, and thanks to PSJA CVAE the conference was a success.



R. Valero doing his job.



J. Morin works at Austin Jr. High as a nurse aide.



Sponsor E. Galvan shows the students the proper way to smile at the camera.



# FFA — KEEPING THE WORLD OF FARMING ALIVE!

Once again the Future Farmers, guided for the second consecutive year by Mr. L.R. Guzman and Mr. R. Robles, have excelled to their highest. Having held their first Hog Show, the PSJA FFA got off to a great start. From Livestock Shows to Vegetables, the club proved to be a strong and outgoing group. The club placed first in both Senior and Junior Judging Teams at the All Valley Winter Vegetable Show in Pharr for the second consecutive year. The group also excelled at the Donna Lamb Show, the County Youth Show, and the Mercedes

Livestock Show.

Officers leading this group are Pres.-Manny G., V.P.-Armando C., Sec.-Carla A., Treas.-Duke G., Rep.-Mark G., Sentinel-Paul Z., Chaplin-Kyle J. District Officers are-V.P. Iris G. and Sentinel Troy S. Sweethearts for 1985-86 were Sr.-Blanca Reyes and Jr.-Cindy Munoz.

The group also had poster parties to make posters for pep-rallies and I Road in order to promote Bear Spirit. The FFA's main goal was to plan a trip to the Houston Livestock Show in February.



2nd place basket by Sr. Annie Guzman



Top-C. Rodriguez, R. Trejo, D. Rodriguez, J. Fitch, J. Salinas, J. Reyes, J. Soto, S. DeLeon, R. Barrera, D. Cardenas, R. Guerra, D. Salinas, N. Guerra, J. Valdez. Middle-C. Munoz, B. Reyes, C. Reyes, M. Gonzalez, D.

Gonzalez, C. Arispe, T. Smith, M. Gonzalez, A. Castilleja, P. Zuniga, K. Johnson, L. Segovia, O. Martinez, S. Pacheco, R. Garcia, B. Garcia. Bottom-L. Rydl, A. Valdez, J. Taylor, G. Garza, R. Lopez, D. Rose.



L.R. Guzman-Instructor



1985-86 Sweethearts-Jr. Cindy Munoz and Sr. Blanca Reyes



R. Robles-Instructor





1985-86 Officers-standing Duke G.-Treas., Carla A.-Sect., Troy S.-District Sentinel, Paul Z.-Sentinel, Armando C.-Vice Pres., Kyle J.-Chaplin, Mark G.-Reporter, seated Manny G.-Pres.



1985-86 Green Hand Officers- standing John S.-Sect., Leslie R.-Vice Pres., Cindy M.-Sentinel, Cesar M.-Treas., Ronnie M.-Reporter, seated Cindy I.-Pres.



Laurie I., Iris G., Troy S., Mark G., Eddie Z., Duke G., Justin F., and Vegetable Queen Dina G., show off First place ribbon.



Fresh.-Eluid M. at initiation.



Jr. Eddie Z.-1st place Peppers!



If You Eat, Smile at a FARMER!



Sr. members initiate Green Handmembers!





*Jr. Duke G. and Instructor R. Guzman with winning Cauliflower.*



*Instructor L.R. Guzman, 3rd Runner-up Cindy Munoz, Vegetable Queen Dina Gonzalez, and Instructor Romeo Robles*



*P.S.-J.A. FFA receives new Trailer!*



*Initiation for Green Hand Sec. John Salinas.*



*FFA Members entered rabbits in Livestock Competition!*



*Lamb waits to be sheared before Youth Show.*



# JETS SOAR TO NEW HEIGHTS



OFFICERS: Sponsor C. Pena; Parlimentarian Arnold Perez; Reporter Johnny Ward; Vice-President Felipe Guerra; Sergeant at Arms Phillip Oaks; President Vinny Iannelli; Chaplain Omar Benitez; Historian Angie Ramirez; Secretary Mando Chavez.



Senior Johnny Ward seems to be dazed while Senior Philip Oaks has been shocked over who knows what?



Arnold counts his money for the weekend.



Danny thinks up a new theory of relativity.

The Junior Engineering Technical Society, better known as JETS, emerged this year at PSJA after it's two year dormant stage. The future engineers of Pharr San Juan Alamo decided to make themselves known and to conserve it's tradition, purpose, and it's constitution. A group of students mostly composed of Juniors and Seniors got together every Monday in room M-109 with their sponsor C. Pena (math instructor) to learn everything from how to program a computer and word processing to electrical engineering and electrical circuits.

This year JETS had a profitable beef Bar-B-Q in December raising funds to attend the State Convention at the University of A&M at College Station.

Leading JETS this year was President Vinny Iannelli; Vice-President Felipe Guerra; Secretary Mando Chavez; Treasurer Eric Acosta; Parlimentarian Arnold Perez; Historian Angie Ramirez; Reporter Johnny Ward; Chaplain Omar Benitez; and last but not least Sergeant at Arms Phillip Oaks.

The Seniors who commenced this organization have started a new trend that will become a tradition at PSJA High.



1985-86 Members: Bottom l-r Omar Benitez Sr., Angie Ramirez Jr., Arnold Perez Sr., Vinny Iannelli Sr., Johnny Ward Sr., Mando Chavez Jr., Phillip Oaks Sr., Felipe Guerras Sr., Middle row Mario Alaniz Sr., Michael Madero Sr., Rick Martinez Jr., Paul Gonzalez Jr., Beto Florez Jr., Danny Villar-

real Jr., Susanna Ibarra Sr., Fabian Cuellar Jr., Sponsor C. Pena, Back row Angel Carr Sr., Conni Contreras Sr., Cruz Cardenas Sr., Eddie Gutierrez Sr., Tim Fink Sr., Alfonso Camarillo Jr., Joe Mireles Sr.



# PSJA OEA CONTINUES THEIR TRADITIONS



OEA members first row left to right are: M. Castillo, O. Bautista, I. Perez, O. De La Cruz, M. Morales, M. De La Cruz, P. Ramirez, E. Leal, A. Ovalle, G. Guerra and I. Sanchez. Second row left to right are: R. Tanguma, A. Pena, A. Coronado, R. Ramos, R. Diaz, J. Arispe, B. Guerra, M. Nunez, and L. Lozano. Third row left to right are: A. Fink, M. Solis, M. Alaniz-Sponsor, V. Cantu, C. Jimenez, E. Hinijosa, and G. Rios.



Melba Alaniz-OEA Sponsor



OEA Officers left to right are: P. Ramirez-Student Council Representative; J. Arispe-Historian; M. Nunez-Reporter; M. Castillo-Parliamentarian; I. Sanchez-Lab Treasurer; G. Guerra-CO-OP Treasurer; I. Perez-Secretary; L. Lozano-V. President; and E. Hinijosa President.



Letty Lozano gets ready for her timings.



I know I put it in here somewhere.



OEA Sweethearts — Idalia Perez and Minerva De La Cruz.



# STUDENT SECRETARIES FACE NEW CHALLENGES



*M. Alaniz, Sponsor, helps a student get settled.*

Office Education Association is among the top rated clubs at PSJA. Every year this club starts off on the right foot. As the year starts off, they have fund-raisers so that they can hold their annual activities. Those activities are such as: Initiation of new members, exchange of mums with OEA Buddies, Halloween Activities, Thanksgiving Activities, Christmas Activities, Sweetheart elections, OEA Week, OEA Contests and the annual Employer-Employee Banquet. Officers for this year's club are: President-Esmer H., V. Pres.-Letty L., Sec.-Idalia P., Hist.-Janie P., Rep.-Melissa N., and Parl.-Mary C. OEA also prepared posters for the Bears and presented candy and cake to the players. Their goals is: "To promote interest in office occupations and help develop leadership in students." Thanks to Mrs. Melba Alaniz the activities and their goals were achieved for the club of the 1985-86 school year.



*R. Ramos, E. De La Barreda, J. Lozano, and I. Perez learned many different things while in V.O.E.*



*Maribel Flores is thinking of what to type next.*



*Anita Fink shows her typing ability.*



*Mary Morales is busy finishing her assignment.*



# O.E.A. "TYPING FOR A BETTER FUTURE"



Standing left to right: Marisela Garcia, Rosa Garcia, Teresa Ramirez, Gloria Carlin, Lupita Dimas, Janie Escobar, Sandra Luna, Rosa Alvarez, Clara Alvarez, Mary Tijerina, and A. Willingham, sponsor.

"The purpose of this club is to better the secretarial skills and enhance our responsibilities towards the secretarial field," said Senior Marianela Garcia. Thanks to Mr. Willingham these goals were achieved. Recognition should also be given to this years officers who are: President: Marianela Garcia, V. President: Cindy Castillo, Secretary: Julie Longoria, Treasurer: Gracie Gonzalez, Reporter: Sylvia Zamarripa, Historian: Elia Garcia, Sergeant At Arms: Sandra Zamarripa. Throughout the year OEA held various activities, OEA Week, and OEA contests. They also made posters for Homecoming Week as part of their "Spirit Promotion." This club is also among the top spirited clubs at P.S.J.A. This is because every year they start off on the right foot. This club has a good future here at P.S.J.A. It will keep going for the years to come. As long as there are typewriters around so will this club O.E.A.



O.E.A. Sweethearts Clara Alvarez and Yolanda Hinojosa.



Senior Mary Tijerina tries to finish her project before the Christmas Holidays



Senior Rosie Garcia listens closely to Mr. Willingham.







*Oh! Oh! I think I cut this wrong.*



*Genius "Gracie" at work.*



*Letty cuts while Cindy is busy doing her assignment.*



*O.E.A. members are first row left to right Elsa Rodriguez, Enedelia Garcia, Sandra Zamarripa, Marinela Garcia, Sylvia Zamarripa, Yvonne Lopez, Cindy Castillo, Second row left to right Sabrina Trevino, Gracie Gonzalez, Yolanda Hinojosa, Elia Garcia, Julie Longoria.*



*Officers left to right on first row Lupita Dimas-V. Pres., Sandra Zamarripa-Sgt. at Arms, Marinela Garcia-Pres., Sylvia Zamarripa-Reporter, Second row left to right Gracie Gonzalez-Treasurer, Yolanda Hinojosa-Chaplain, Elia Garcia-Historian, Gloria Carlin-V. Pres.*



*Elia Garcia working on the scrapbook.*



*OK. Who did it? Who's the guilty party?*

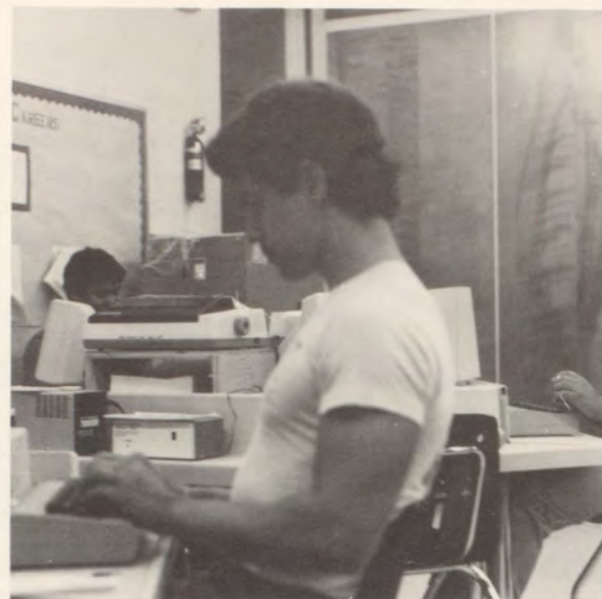


# OEA-INVOLVING STUDENTS WITH COMPUTERS



*N. McCullough enjoys reading her computer manual.*

Vocational Word Processing is a new course that has come about here at PSJA this year. Students who take this course have the privilege of becoming members of OEA (Office Education Association). OEA is a vocational club which has been known at PSJA High School for many years. Due to the fact that this new course was added to the vocational department, the club OEA Offers students a better chance to a better future. Although Mrs. Noelia Guajardo is not new to the faculty staff, she is the instructor of this course that was just implemented. Officers for this club are as follows: President, Blanca Villalobos; Secretary, Jennifer-Martinez; Treasurer, Jesse Vela; Parliamentarian, Joe Garza; Reporter, Feliz Torres; Sargent at arms, Carlos Salazar; and Historian, Sam Gauna. Thanks to all the officers and members the first year the club was a success.



*J. Garza is shown with intense concentration on his work.*



*OEA members are as follows, sitting left to right: Julie Garza, Jennifer Martinez, Leonor Hernandez, Standing left to right are: Feliz Torres, Omar Meza, Juan Tobias, Jesse Vela, Joe Garza, and Sam Guana.*



*OEA Sponsor - Noelia Guajardo*



*OEA members work hard to complete their assignments.*



*OEA Officers are as follows: Joe Garza-Parliamentarian, Jesse Vela-Treasurer, Jennifer Martinez-Secretary, and Felix Torres-Reporter.*



# O.E.A. — A HARD WORKING CLUB



Members are from left to right: A. Guerra, S. Leyva, C. Salinas, Y. Castillo, S. Hernandez, G. Munoz, members not present are: S. Cardenas, D. Garcia, D. Hernandez, E. Luna, D. Mendoza, V. Garza and M. Alonzo. Gamboa, N. Hernandez, G. Hernandez, S. Bailey, M. Quijada, C.



O.E.A. Officers are, eft to right: A. Guerra, V. President; D. Garcia, Reporter; C. Salinas, Sgt.-at-arms; G. Hernandez, President; Y. Cardenas, Secretary; C. Castillo, Sgt.-at-arms; G. Munoz, Second Sgt.-at-arms.



O.E.A. Sponsor- Criselda Cervantes



## METAL TRADES: WELDING THEIR FUTURE TOGETHER

This year's Metal Trades club excelled in school competition. Under the guidance of Mr. Rodriguez, this club was able to bring back several ribbons from their competition in Brownsville. Over 30 schools around the valley competed in this event. Those projects which received an excellent award were taken to state competition in San Antonio. This is where

schools all around the state of Texas show what a group of kids can do. They learn not only to compete, but also to be leaders. Thanks to this bunch of guys, PSJA was well represented at competition. Thanks to Mr. Rodriguez and his students for making a successful year. Thanks also to all the people who supported the club.



Shown above are the students in Mr. Rodriguez second and third periods class. They also took projects which brought back several ribbons.



Kneeling left to right: Efrain Sardina, Javier Cantu, Oscar Martinez, Tim Fink, Julian Solis, Goerge Echartea, Pete Villa, Anastacio Garza, Joe Lara, Eddie Garcia, Nick Ibarra, Victor Villegas, Roy Leal.



Pete Villa looks over his work.



Preparing for competition in Brownsville.

Oscar and Joe stand by their projects.





# FUTURE WELDERS OF AMERICA ?



*This student works on project*



*This class is more than just welding*



*Mr. Sandoval Metal Trades Instructor*

Future welders of America? That's all up to them. This is part of growing up at PSJA. The Metal Trades club has proved that it is ready to accept the challenge. The challenge to do what is necessary to prove that they will be future workers and leaders. With Mr. Sandoval as Instructor, PSJA Metal Trades is ready for future technology. Thanks to everybody who took part in this course. Also thanks to the support from the private individuals who took advantage of this club's work.



*Shown below is Mr. Sandoval's fourth and fifth periods class*

*Shown above is the afterschool class of Mr. Sandoval. Directly below is a student taking safety into consideration as he works on a class project.*





## AUTOMECHANICS: MORE THAN JUST GREASY HANDS AND OIL PANS!



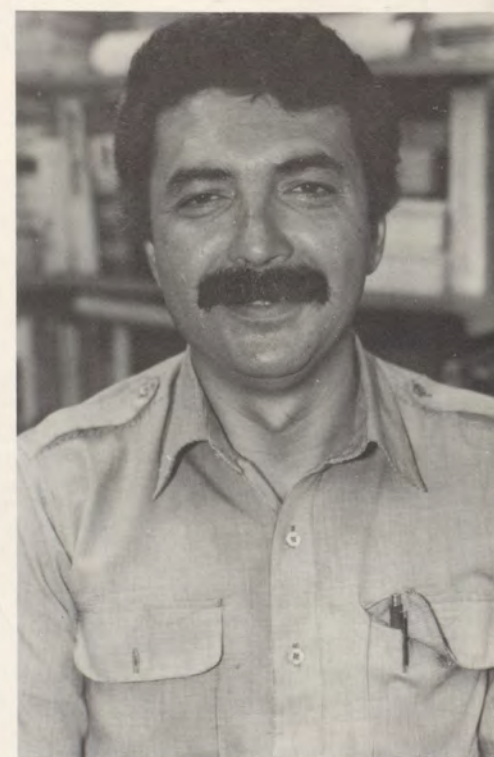
This is the group of first year students. These students went through the basics of mechanics during first and second periods. They will be next years leaders under Mr. A. Palacios, instructor for 14 years.



This is another group of first year students. They had class during third and fourth periods. They also will be next years leaders representing PSJA in Districts and State VICA meets.



Martin Gonzalez and Ric Torres. Frank Flores, Jesus Cantu, Juan Soto, and Jesus Lopes.



Mr. A. Palacios fourteen-year instructor

Ric Torres works on project.



Pres. Ric T., V. Pres. Jesus C., Sec. Jesus L., Rep. Frank F., Parl. Juan S., Sgt. Martin G.





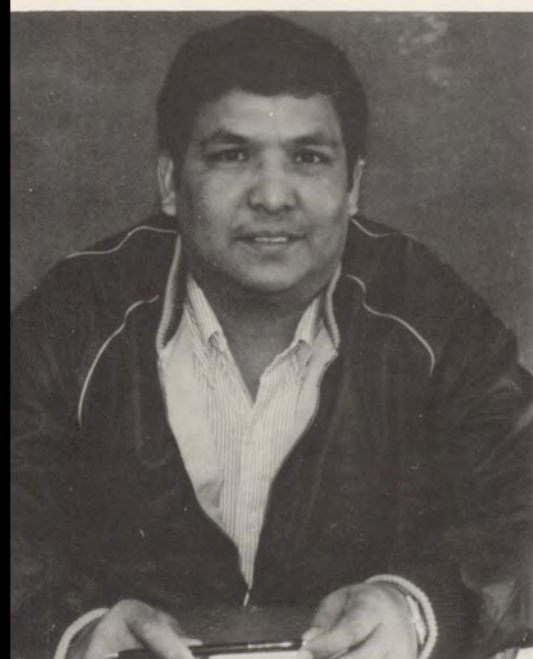
# PSJA'S OWN MR. GOODWRENCH



*Auto Mechanics officers for the 1955-56 after school class.*



*Auto Mechanics officers for the 1955-56 Migrant class.*



*Auto Mechanics instructor - Mr. R. Zavala*



*Shown above is Mr. Zavala's migrant class.*



*Shown above is Mr. Zavala's afterschool class.*



*Junior, Oscar Losoya looks on as he learns to weld.*



# JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORP



Batallion Staff L to R-Top Row C. Ibarra, E. Garcia, J. Hernandez, S. Esparza, G. Villanueva, Bottom Row-L to R-P. Gutierrez, L. Alvarado, E. De La Fuente, B. Gazca, R. Cano



ROTC Officers from L to R-Sgt. A. Palacios, Col. G. Weaver, Sgt. A. Martinez

The ROTC has long been known for their military procedures, their flag raising ceremony, and their uniformed ways of escorting the Homecoming Queen and Candidates. But the ROTC is not just made up of these fine gala events. Much time and practice is taken in before anyone can actually say they belong to the ROTC. The ROTC has one primary goal, "to provide a course of instruction in leadership and citizenship using military subjects as the teaching vehicle. Also to provide a range of extra curricular activities for practical experience/application," as stated by Col. Gene A. Weaver. ROTC also sees that each student is prepared for the future. The ROTC is made up of precisely eight corps. The corps consist of The Batallion Staff, Color Guard, Rifle Corp, A Company, B Company, C Company.

For an organization that has "learn to lead by leading" as a motto, they definitely have shown a superior way of leading. Officers of this fine organization are indeed outstanding and deserve a great thank you. Once again this is a cadet lead, by supervised instructors, providing training and experiences for lifetime opportunities.



Batallion Commander C/LTC E. De La Fuente.



Executive Officer - C/MAJ C. Ibarra



Helicopter rides are only a part of the ROTC.



ROTC, led by Col. Weaver, marching at the Vegetable Show Parade.



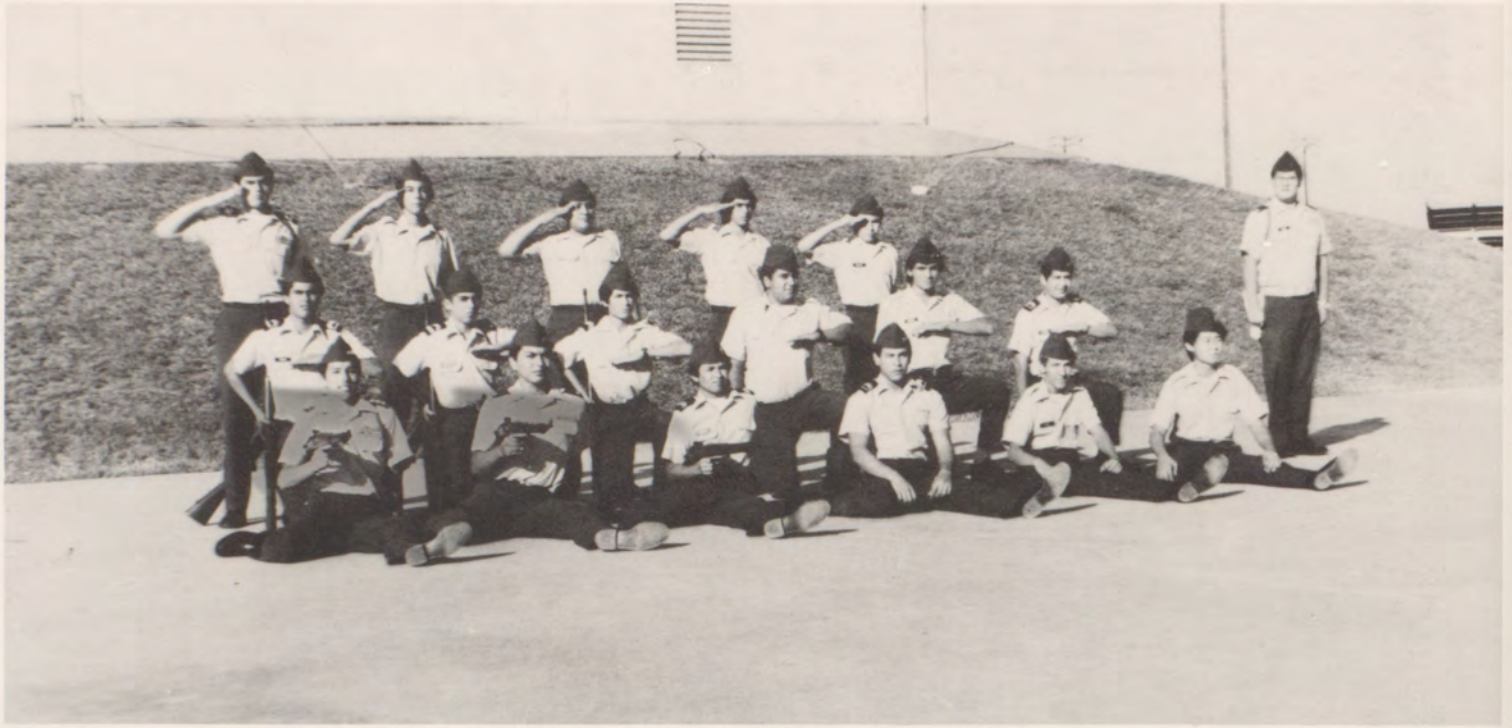


*First row-R. Rivera, R. Avendano, D. Menza, H. Rodriguez, J. Gamez, B. Trevino, Second Row- J. Prado, O. Gutierrez, E. Garcia, H. Lozano, M. Stanley, Commander-D. Rodriguez*



*First Row-Color Guard- C. Soto, P. Cardona, M. Zapata, M. Rodriguez, R. Trevino, C. Garza, D. Rosales, J. Marroquin, Commander-S. Esparza*





*UNarmed Drill Team-Row 1-A. Carranza, M. Vela, G. Acosta, M. Graham, A. Lopez, D. No. Row 2-J. Munoz, J. Hernandez, E. Ybanez, J. Bustos, D. Jimenez, R. Flores. Row 3-R. Guajardo, J. Garcia, E. Jaimez, J. Camacho, R. Martinez, Commander-C. Ibarra*

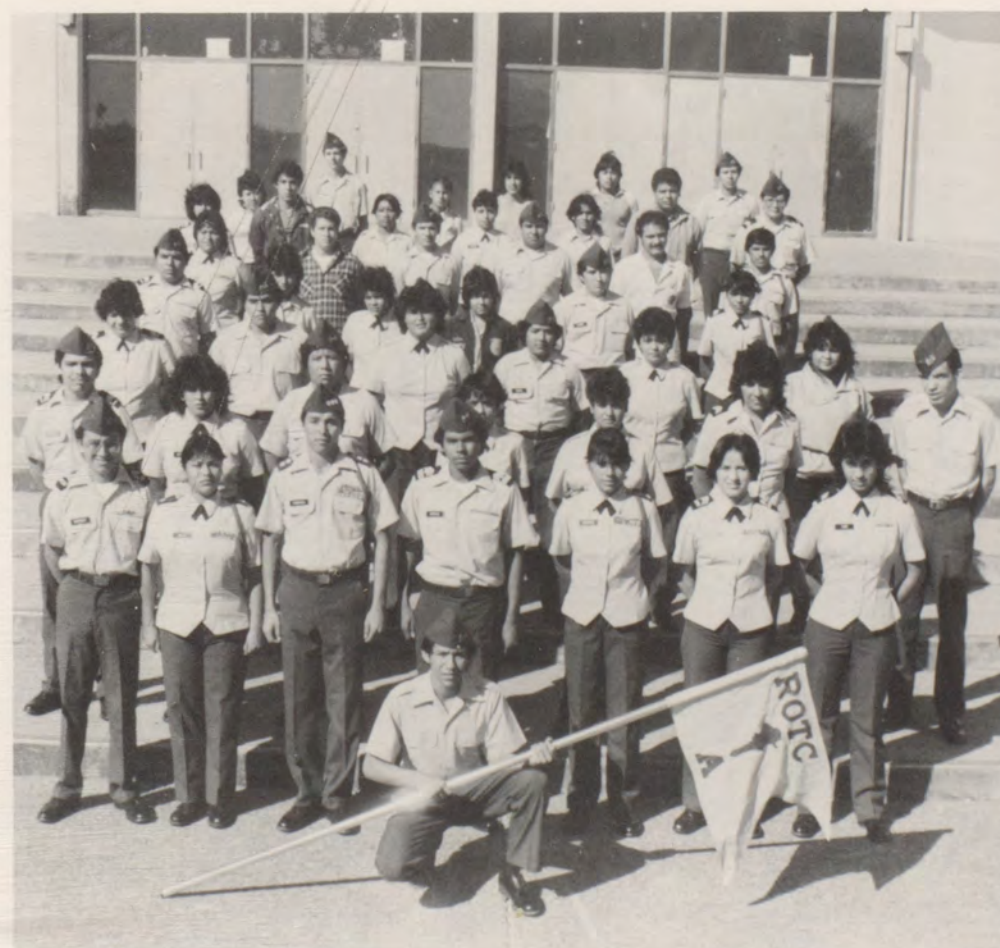


*Armed Drill Team-Row 1-I. Armijo, L. Alvarado, B. Sanchez, A. Moreno, M. Alvarado, M. Alanis, S. Sierra Row 2-A. Sanchez, B. Gonzalez, I. Vasquez, T. Caballero, C. Trevino, P. Aguilera. Row 3-A. Hernandez, E. Garcia, C. Medrano, B. Deleon, D. Soto, E. Puentes. Commonder-P. Gutierrez.*





HQ Co.-First Row-A. Moreno, J. Vela, S. Villareal, C. Gonzales, C. Garza, M. Vela, I. Robledo. Second Row-M. Ortiz, F. Corpus, J. Chavez, J. Solano, V. Moreno. Third Row-S. Hernandez, R. Sanchez, M. Alaniz, J. Garcia, P. Aguilera. Fourth Row-A. Fink, M. Garcia, E. Garcia, J. Garcia, M. Stanley, E. Ybanez. Fifth Row-Y. Davila, R. Morin, C. Elizondo, S. Sierra, R. Garcia, D. Sckrown. Sixth Row-E. Gonzalez, D. Meza, G. Garza, E. Perez, J. Garcia, L. Menchaca. Seventh Row-A. Bercill, E. Fender, J. Lora, S. Sanchez.



"A" Co.-First Row-J. Martinez, I. Jarmijo, A. Carranza, L. Martinez, A. Sanchez, H. Lopez, S. Luna. Second Row-A. Jimenez, Y. Gonzalez, J. Alvarado, F. Segovia, B. Gonzalez, M. Arispe, G. Perkins. Third Row-M. Lerma, A. Monreal, M. Singleterry, H. Garcia, S. Santos, F. Marex. Fourth Row-P. Coronado, D. Casas, M. Torres, P. Ybarra, R. Flores, B. Sanchez. Fifth Row-D. Soto, S. Deleon, R. Rios, J. Busyos, J. Carlos, S. Sanchez. Sixth Row-J. Hernandez, J. Guerrero, B. Ybanez, M. Martinez, R. Sanchez, J. Ysquierdo, G. Soto. Seventh Row-P. Garcia, K. Berg, R. Salinas, Z. Cantu, H. Menez, O. Balderas.



"B" Co.-First Row-L. Alvarado, A. Hernandez, P. Oaks, J. Landeros, B. Gasca, C. Jimenez, F. DeLa-Cerda. Second row-B. Almanza, A. Trevino, R. Ribera, S. Torres, H. Saenz, E. Lopez. Third Row-I. Villa, R. Casteneda, E. James, J. Rodriguez, D. No, J. Gomez. Fourth Row-T. Ramirez, P. Morales, N. Coronado, I. Vasquez, D. Blackwell, A. Nino. Fifth Row-R. Guajardo, L. Reyes, J. Sanchez, M. Alvarado, J. Pina, R. Trevino. Sixth Row-M. Grah, F. Limones, D. Jimenes, J. Rodriguez, C. Medrano, C. Trevino, Seventh Row-S. Rodriguez, I. Flores, J. Prado, M. Gomez, R. Alvarado.



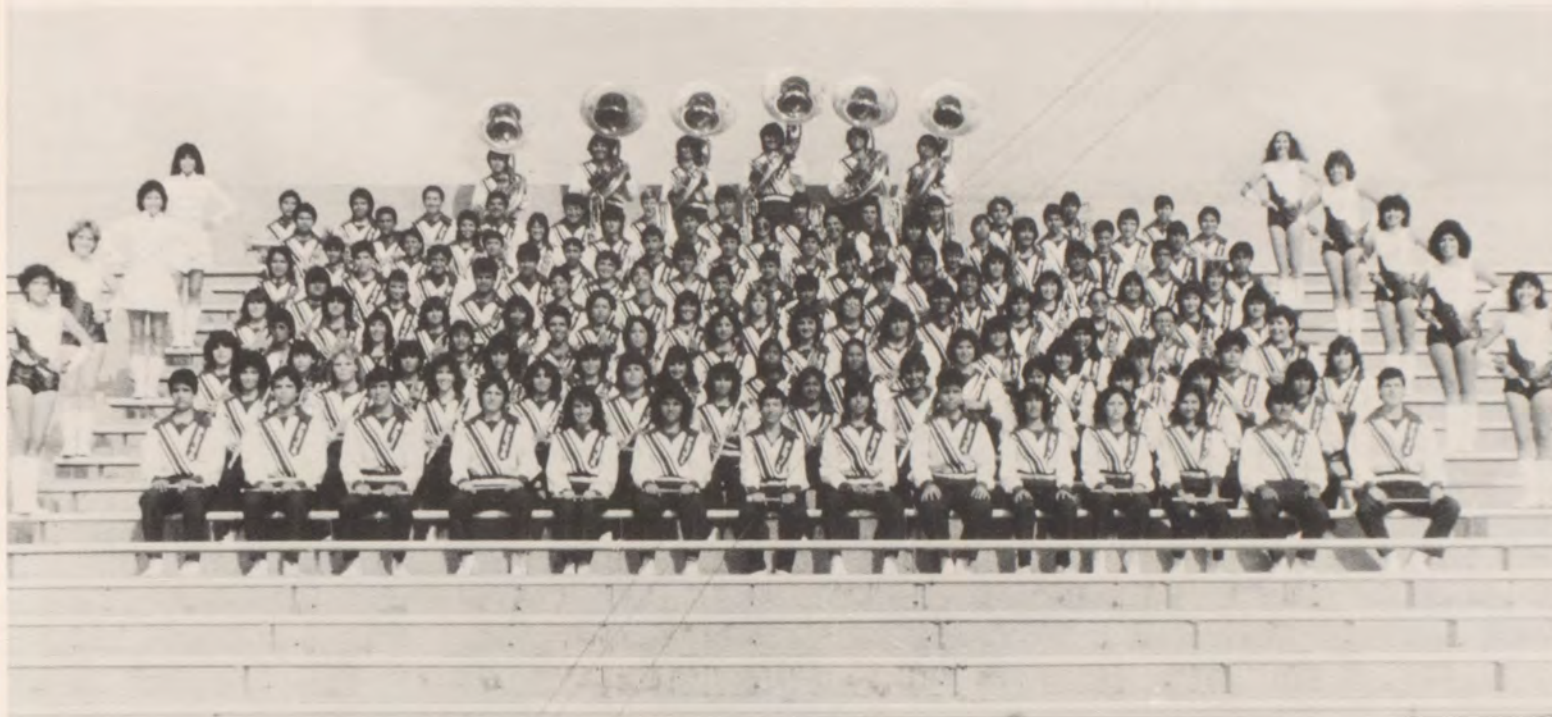
"C" Co.-First Row-L. Quezada, R. Villareal, J. Trevino, E. Guerra, L. Aguirre, T. Caballero, J. Munoz, D. Rosales. Second Row-M. Zapata, A. Murillo, N. Mendoza, M. Rodriguez, M. Rangel, R. Deleon, M. Fink. Third Row-A. Gomez, J. Camarado, S. Lopez, V. Gonzalez, R. Garcia, R. Villlobos, R. Reys. Fourth Row-T. Villareal, M. Adams, S. Vasquez, F. Abad, J. Ramirez, J. Gamez, M. Guajardo, J. Marroquin. Fifth Row-R. Barrera, M. Cantu, X. Salinas, M. Torrez, M. Reyes, R. Lara. Sixth Row-R. DeLaLuna, M. Cava-zos, J. Espinoza, E. Briones, R. Avendano, A. Lopez, H. Rodriguez. Seventh Row-M. Rodriguez, A. Garcia, M. Cardona, J. Gonzalez, J. Solis, J. Davila.





# MIGHTY BEAR BAND =

# S P I R I T P R I D E A N D U N I T Y



The MIGHTY BEAR BAND has been a symbol of Spirit, Pride, and Unity for many a year and 1985-86 was no exception. Count Pick-Up your Knees! Yell!!! Mr. Fuentes words rang in all band members ears during football season. He was our Marching Coordinator and boy did he have a rough time. We were rushed to get our show ready for Pigskin due to the fact that it was pushed up to October 12, 1985 in order for no student to be unable to participate because of House Bill 72. But that didn't

matter we went and performed our best and in return we received three straight I's, qualifying us for alternate band to go to Regionals. But Pigskin isn't the only thing we prepared for. All-Valley tryouts were held in San Benito were 32 members achieved that goal and 13 went on to Area. From there seven lucky people were selected to State. And seven was the record breaker for the P-SJ-A Bear Band. Melissa Rivera was selected to the All-Valley Band, Area

Band and All State Jazz Band Alternate. Eliseo Bernal was selected to the All Valley Band, All Valley Jazz Band, and All State Orchestra. Band members were active in selling all sorts of items, from Spirit Jackets to World's Finest Candy Bars. For them to be able to participate at the Out-of-Valley Band Contest. The Highlight of the year was the return of the Band Banquet which had not been held for the past 25 years.



1985-86 Stage Band L to R: First Row-Juver Gonzalez, Charlie Caballero, Eddie Luna, Ray Arrevallo and Melissa Rivera (All Valley Jazz Band). Second Row-Omar Meza, Hector Rodriguez, Emet Mata, Rolando Rodri-

guez, Ricky Arrevallo, Iliana Alanis, Danny Leal, and Eric Trevino. Third Row-Joe Ybanez, Joe Singleterry, (All Valley Jazz Band), Juan E. Rodriguez-Director, Eliseo Bernal, (All Valley Jazz Band), and Ricky Sandoval.





*Mari Zuniga Asst. Drummajor*



*Twirlers L to R: Yvonne Muzquiz, Sylvia Gonzalez, Lizzy Ramirez, Jackie Sanders, Lori Salinas, Carrie Zlomke, and Gina Riojas.*



*Lilia Trevino Head Drummajor*



*Band Officers L to R: Valerie Santillan-Secretary, Kathy Jimenez-Reporter, Iliana Alanis-Treasurer, Olivia Salazar-V. President, James Lopez-President, Jackie Sanders-Chaplain.*



*Band Sweethearts: Eliseo Bernal and Melissa Rivera*



*Seniors-Roland, Joe, and Eliseo show Charlie a Junior what playing an instrument is all about.*



*Band Directors L to R: Pete Cisneros, Carol Beene, Edgar Fuentes, Jim Coleman, Jon Taylor, Jim Swofford, Luis Maldonado, and John Rodriguez.*





*Bear Band unites together to form P-SJ-A at the end of a GREAT halftime performance!!*



*P-SJ-A Drum Rage 1985-86 jamming out with Mr. Rodriguez at the Pharr Vegetable Parade.*

*Juniors-Paul Gonzalez and Adan Munoz show their talent in marching, during the Pharr Vegetable Show Parade in December.*



*The P-SJ-A Bear Band and the Bearettes make a great combination during halftime.*



*Band students blow their hearts out during an exuberating practice after school!!*



*Senior - Jackie Sanders smiles as she looks on to get ready and twirl to her last school song!!*



# THE PHYSICAL WORLD OF THE SCIENCE CLUB

The Science club, this year, due to great leadership along with the responsiveness was tremendous. The purpose for the Science club was to help the individual student relate and experience areas of Science in which he or she is interested. This organization has many goals, but the major goal of this club was to introduce to the student a variety of science topics. Another goal for the Science club was to give students a more informed background in Science. To be a member of this extremely academic club is a great honor. Hard work as well as mature behavior is expected.

Students with the academic prestige to strive for excellence for this club should be commended.



Mr. Palacios-Sponsor



1985-86 Science Club Officers: L. to R.; Alex Saucedo-Parliamentarian, Dalia Trevino-Secretary, Roy Barrera-President.



1985-86 Science Club-L. to R. R. Benitez- Sponsor, Gabriel Alonso, nas, Jessie Nunoz, Sara Reyes, A. Salinas, Mr. Palacios-Sponsor. Freddy Ybanyez, Alex Saucedo, Dalia Trevino, Roy Barrera, Rosario Sali-



# LE CLUB DE FRANCAISE CES'T TRES BIEN

The French Club, due to great leadership from its officers and tremendous responsiveness from its members, was a spectacular success this year. The first Sunday of every month was designated as recreation day. The members went bowling and played miniature golf once a



month. The French Club challenged the Spanish Club to a bowling match and came out victorious. The French Club will travel to New Orleans this summer to experience true French Cuisine.

1985-86 French Club Officers Are; Bottom row; Ada Zuniga-Treasurer, Judy Martinez-Historian, Yvonne Herrera, Mona Lisa Pena-Vice President, Miss Oralia Garza-Sponsor, Top row; Omar Benitez-Chaplin, Mark Gonzalez-President



1985-86 French Club Members are; Bottom row; Yomara Garcia, Ada Zuniga, James Lopez, Adrianna Pecina, Micheal Madero, Kim Fiala, Juan Gonzalez, Lynda Garza, 2nd row; Juan Martinez, David Perez, Micheal Sweet, Alez Hernandez, Emilio Vela, Omar Benitez, David Bowman, Lori Hooks, Mark Gonzalez, Vinnie Ianelli, Tony Perez



# DRAMA — IT'S A WORLD OF IMAGINATION!

*D-R-A-M-A*-these five letters when put together give so much meaning to PSJA High School. Integrity as well as common everyday cheerful spirit fills the air when a Thespian is around.

*D*-stands for Determination which is essential for a good exhibition of talent.

*R*-stands for Reflection. Every Thespian must look inside himself in order to bring out his own potential.

*A*-stands for Attitude. An optimistic attitude is always helpful.

*M*-stands for Maturity. A well developed Thespian needs to see reality-sometimes.

*A*-is for being Able to have and or do all of the above.

The 1985-86 Drama Team did wonders this year. They put smiles on thousands of viewers faces when they performed live on stage. Sr. Mark Gonzalez shared his thoughts of Drama, "It was a tremendous year for Drama. My Senior year would not have been complete if I hadn't participated in the childrens play, *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*." Over all Drama had a spectacular season by bringing to our auditorium the creative and chocolaty *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*. Never before has this play been performed but Mr. G. Zepeda, Drama Coordinator, felt this year they were

finally ready to take on the terrific play. The play was performed before thousands of elementary and high school students as well as local citizens. Everyone who attended enjoyed this musical comedy. Drama students have a chance to perform two plays a year and numerous duet, solo and group activities throughout the year. The Drama Team puts in many hours of work after school and on week-ends, which resulted in outstanding performances.

During the spring, Drama performed "*Marat/Sade*," a play about the French revolution Jean Paul Marat. The theme was centered on revolution and its insanity. *Marat/Sade* was performed March 15, at the U.I.L. Zone contest.



Gilbert Zepeda-Sponsor



1985-86 Thespian Officers: L to R-David Barrera-Vice Pres., Emma Ramos-Pres., Lori Hooks-Tres., Rick Alvarado-Clerk, Eddie Guerra-Sgt. at Arms, Mario Alanis-Sec.





*Mr. John Farr-PSJA Memorial 9th Drama Sponsor*



*Mrs. Janet Doyle-Costume designer and Robert Gomez L.B.J. Jr. High Drama Director.*



*Carrie and Sandra listen attentively to Mr. Wonka.*



*Marissa and Deni set the stage for a unique show.*



*Freshman Tanya Narvaez was a terrific Mrs. Galoop.*



*David "Willy Wonka" Barrera sings to audience, while Freshman Rachel Ramirez looks on.*



*Umpa-Lumpa's lift their favorite "Thug," Albert Lopez.*





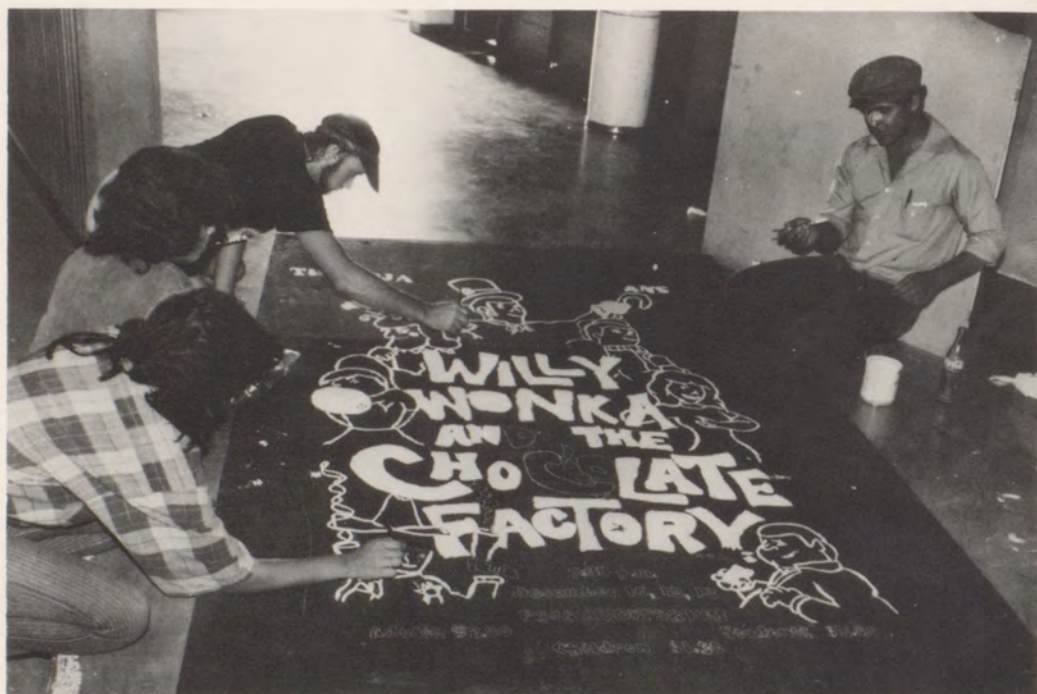
*Slugworth (A. Lopez) and his thugs (V. Puente and J.J. Serna) were attacked by walking machines.*



*Oompa-Loompas (Emma Ramos and Jessie Pena) practice their dance before rehearsal.*



*Students from the Drama classes worked hard on the props.*



*Creative students worked on this sign, which was used as advertisement.*



*Oompa-Loompas Sylvia Salazar and Rina Ramirez show little Oompa-Loompa Jacqueline Zepeda, the ropes.*



*M. Gonzalez and R. Sanchez listen closely to instructions.*





*Oompa-Loompa, Jaime Rodriguez looks into Rina Ramirez's hands in astonishment. Lizzy Garza is also curious as to what the astonishment is all about.*



*Freshman, Tanya Narvaez listens intently to Willy Wonka played by David Barrera.*



*Grampa Joe played by Mark Gonzalez and the narrator played by Yvette Torres yell for help.*



*Grampa Joe (M. Gonzalez) and Charlie (Robert Sanchez) listen as Willy Wonka (D. Barrera) tells them their good fortune.*



*Slugworth, played by Albert Lopez, is jumped by Charlie (R. Sanchez)*



*Oompa-Loompa, Omar Benitez and Jaime Rodriguez rehearse before opening night.*



Led by Mr. Surry Gillum and officers Dora Chapa, Sylvia Cruz, Dulce Hernandez, and Felipa Sanchez, the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Choir participated in many different activities this year. This year, the Choir took part in All-Valley Choir Tryouts, Christmas Choir, UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest, both District and State, and the UIL Concert and Sight Reading contest. This year, the Choir also welcomed the addition of Mrs. Shirley Atkins. Besides serving as a Choir Director, Mrs. Atkins also played the piano for the Drama Department's production of Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory and the Annual Talent Show. One thing we may be proud of here at Pharr-San Juan-Alamo is our Choir; for they are a group of talented singers ready to show that singing is an enjoyable talent.



Choir officers for 1985-86 are L to R: Dora Chapa, Sylvia Cruz, Dulce Hernandez, and Felipa Sanchez.



Mr. Surry Gillum



1985-86 Medium Ensemble: Front row-Estella Caballero, Ana Guerra, John Llanas, Adolfo Lara, Belinda de la Garza, Sally Hernandez; Back row-Diana Rodriguez, Alma Zamora, Diana Hernandez, Paul Cano, Juan Hernandez, Joe Moncada, Dora Chapa, Monica Gonzalez.



1985-86 Choir Members: front Row-Esmeralda Herrera, Estella Caballero, Debbie Burciaga, Noe Tovar, Monica Gonzalez, Sally Hernandez, Crysol Villarreal, Eliza Lopez, Dulce Hernandez, Felipa Sanchez; Second row-Ana Guerra, Diana Rodriguez, Nelda Fuentes, John Llanas, Adolfo Lara, Sally Compean, Elizabeth Luna, Linda Cavazos, Belinda de la Garza, Sally Abad, Rebecca Garza; Third row-Leticia Trevino, Sylvia Cruz, Alma Zamora, Marianita Escamilla,

Daniel Salinas, David Davis, Melissa Gaitan, Araceli Nino, Susana Reyes, Lori Monroe, Shawn Sorenson; Back Row-Nora Moncada, Diana Hernandez, Sandra Noyola, Deni Fischer, Juan Hernandez, Joe Moncada, Troy Smith, Paul Cano, Elizabeth Puentes, Graciela Garcia, Dora Chapa, Belinda Anzaldua.



# SINGING A SONG WITH PRIDE



Mrs. Atkins' Choir Officers for 1985-86 are: Back- Cindy Chapa, President; Debbie Garza, Parliamentarian; Mrs. Shirley Atkins, Conductor; Velma Sanchez, Treasurer; Lana de Leon, Vice President; Front- Yolanda Martinez; Anna Guzman, Secretary



Shown above is Mrs. Atkin's fifth period class; Mary Rigney, Roel Tovar, Barbara Hernandez, Guadalupe Camacho, and Terry Mata.



Girls Choir 1985-86: Bottom Row-Anna Guzman, Rita Cano, Lana de Leon, Cindy Vega; Middle Row-Rosie Cavazos, Dina Garcia, Sandra Rodriguez, Rosa Reglado, Rachel Lara; Top-Cara Capt, Olga Salinas, Velma Sanchez, Maria Garcia, Debbie Garza, and Jean Gamez.



# STUDENT COUNCIL • OUTSTANDING AS EXPECTED



Student Council from L to R - Top Row - B. Gonzalez, D. Garcia, J. Rodriguez, J. Garcia, G. Alonzo, A. Saucedo, P. Gonzalez, S. Stanley, T. Medina, L. Gonzalez, L. Cabrera, S. Guardiola, S. Gutierrez, A. Ordaz not pictured is J. Jackson. Bottom Row L to R. are I.

Flores, L. Villanueva, P. Ramos, N. Trevino, E. Palacios, S. Preciado, G. Garza, L. Bernal, S. Hernandez, M. Williams.

The Student Council has long been known for putting out much effort in making the school year an outstanding one. This school year the Student Council has once again put forth Thank You Grams, Santa Grams, and Cupid Grams. They also have Turkey Grams. The Council's long dedication to making holidays the best is only half of their job. The Council has also been known for planning events such as the Junior Olympics held during the pep-rallies. They also had their annual talent show, which goes along with the Ice Cream Social, Blood Drives, Can food Drives, Toy Drives, and Penny Contests. Student Council also takes part in helping other organizations by sponsoring a workshop to improve clubs around the school. The Council is also responsible for taking I.D. pictures and putting together the Student Handbooks. Another way they take the students into consideration is by providing announcements and a marquis of daily happenings. They also protect the students by regulating fire drills. The Council also has other events such as the special hearts, library week, Spirit Days, Conduct Elections, and offer friendship tokens at home games. As it seems the Council is made up of pure work but behind all this work the Council has their relaxing moments. The Council participates in Conventions and has parties on holidays. They also go Christmas Caroling. One of the main social events that the Council does is have fun but requires a little work, is the Morp. The Student Council has played a major role in the 1985-86 school days and will continue to play a major role especially under the advisory of Mr. R. Castillo who has faithfully done his job for many years. Congratulations Council on a fine job. Also a special thanks to the Embassy Suites Hotel for allowing the Executive Board use your Atrium Room for their pictures.



Mr. Castillo, Student Council Advisor.

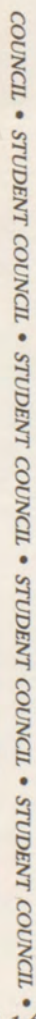
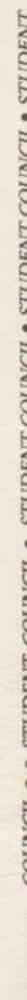
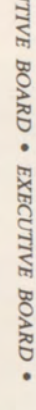
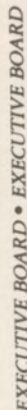
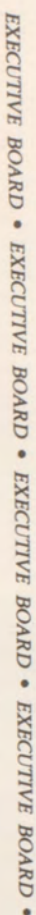


Officers are L to R - V. Pres.-Becky Gonzalez, Pres.-Trino Medina, Sec.-Sandra Gutierrez.



Exec. Board Members L to R - J. Jackson, D. Garcia, L. Villareal, G. Garza, B. Ramos, I. Flores, S. Gutierrez, S. Preciado, B. Ramos, B. Gonzalez, T. Medina





*Student Council members stand proud next to their poster.*

*Soph. Eddie Palacios listens intently at one of the councils meetings.*

*Mr. McKeever speaking at the workshop for officers.*



Mr. Castillo adds the finishing touch to the offices tree.

*Steve raises a motion of adjournment at the meeting.*

*Mr. Castillo and Becky G. know exactly who to blame.*



# MU ALPHA THETA - HONOR AND PRIDE!

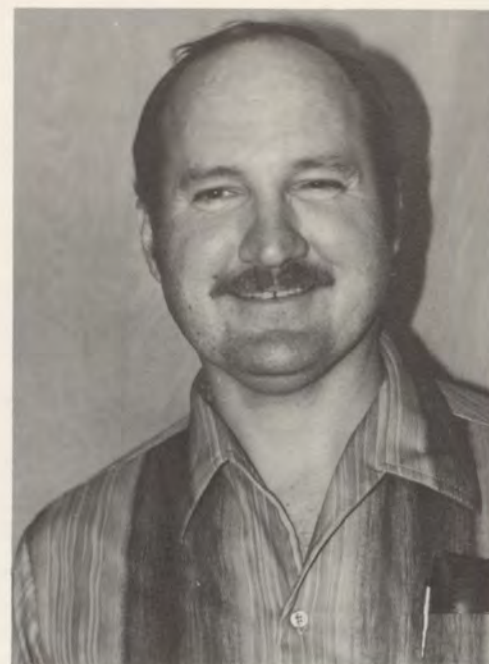
One of P.S.J.A.'s Most prestigious honors clubs, Mu Alpha-Theta, inducted 25 new members for the 1985-86 school year and had an inauguration on October 24, 1985. Leading this fine group of mathematicians are President Robert A. Garza, Vice Pres. Sigifredo Camrillo, Sec. Alicia Estes and Treasurer, Robert Garza.

In order for a P.S.J.A. student to become a member he/she must be a Senior or Junior and must be taking advanced math courses continuing through the Senior year. The student must also maintain an overall average of 85.

Sponsoring the club since 1964 is Mrs. Saulsbury and since 1973 Mr. J.P. Gill. Mr. Gill stated that the purpose of the club was to promote interest in the students towards mathematics. The Sponsors also stated that they enjoy the extra association with students outside the classroom in an area where the students have a lot in common - Mathematics. Every month the club had a math oriented meeting, and had candy sales throughout the year. They also sponsored the annual Math Contest, the Junior High Math Contest and attended a Math Contest at Pan American during spring.



Top- Sponsor J. P. Gill, R. A. Garza, T. Medina, L. Cantu, R. Beamsley, J. Ward, N. Gonzalez, F. Sanchez, Sponsor S. Saulsbury, V. Benavides, M. Rodriguez, R. Alaniz, J. Wang, R. Garza, P. Guerra, S. Camarillo, S. Garcia, C. Ramos, A. Estes, S. Gutierrez, R. Gonzalez, L. Valdez, were the old members 1985-86.



Mr. J. P. Gill-Sponsor



Mrs. S. Saulsbury-Sponsor

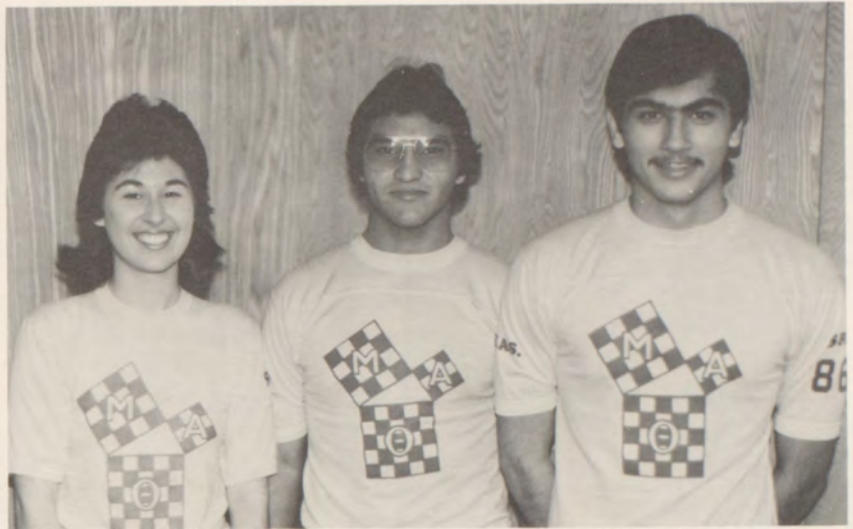


Top-Mr. Gill, G. Rodriguez, F. Garcia, A. Guajardo, A. Flores, A. Lopez, P. Gonzalez, H. Cantu, S. Reyes, Mrs. Saulsbury, V. Ianneli, A. Montes, A. Chaves, Y. Herrera, A. Ramirez, J. Estrada, S. Hernandez, T. Garcia, R. Martinez, V. Santillan, B. Flores, F. Gonzalez, D. Quiroz, F. Quintana, M. Hernandez, J. Koliba, C. Jimenez, are the new members 1985-86.





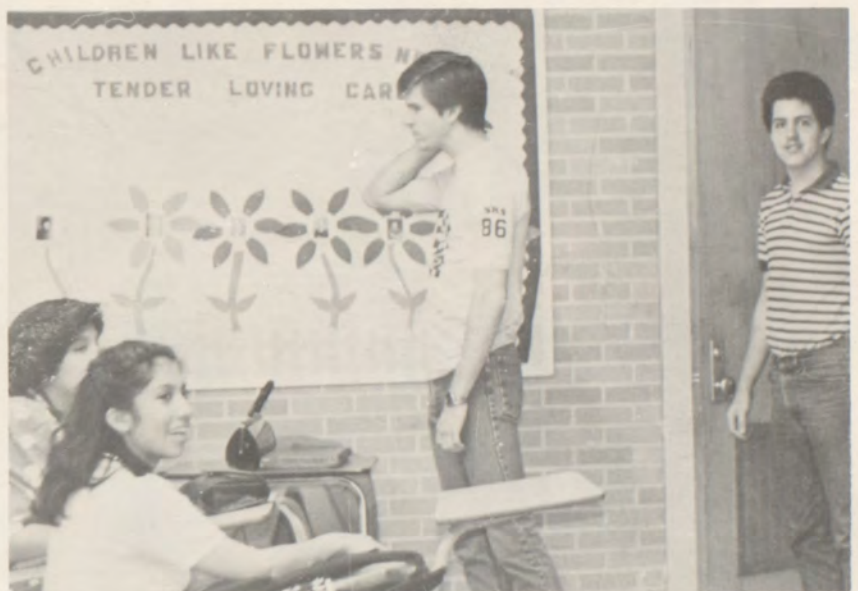
MAO members can't wait for the meeting to begin.



1985-96 Officers-A. Estes-Sec., R. A. Garza-Pres., R. Garza-Treas., (not shown-S. Camarillo-V.P.)



MAO members take a break during a meeting.



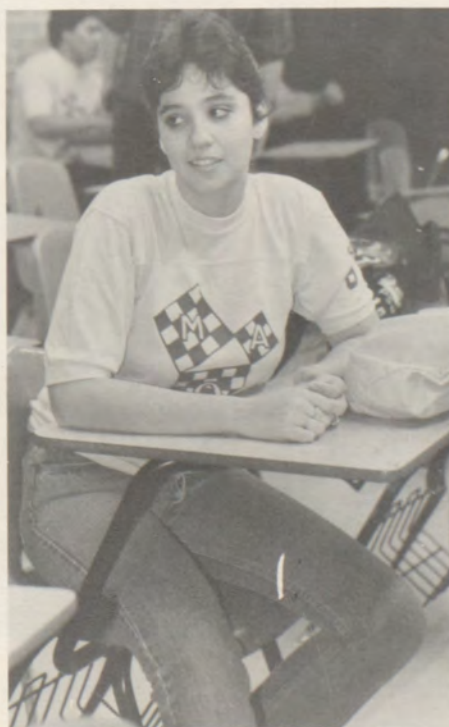
Srs. Johnny and Vinny wonder if they're in the right room!



Sr. Yvonne H. listens as Sr. Valerie S. looks through her notes.



MAO Seniors share a few laughs!



New member (JR.) Angie R.



Sr. Alicia E. takes a break before reading the minutes.



# J. V. CHEERLEADERS 1985-86



*J.V. L. to R.- top- Rina Ramirez, Dina Gonzalez-Head, Flor Mendrano, Bottom-Belina Villarreal, Sandra Martinez, Iris Bartimus*

Award winning Cheerleaders-These Junior Varsity Cheerleaders attended the Universal Cheerleader Association Rio Grande Cheer Camp held July 8-13 in McAllen. The girls took top honors at the UCA camp all week long. The Cheerleaders obtained a Superior standing in dancing, cheering, chant, and spirit. The biggest honor, however, was the "Master Key to Spirit" which symbolizes the perfect squad, something every squad strives to achieve. This honor was voted on every squad that attended the camp. All this, combined with a cheerleading trophy gave the Junior Varsity girls from PSJA the honor of "Summer Camp Champs for 1985"



*Mr. R. Castillo-Sponsor*



*Flor Mendrano*



*Dina Gonzalez-Head*



*Rina Ramirez*



*Sandra Martinez*



*Belinda Villarreal*



*Iris Bartimus*





1985-86 Varsity Cheerleaders-Kneeling L. to R. Andrea Shawn, Ileana Villarreal, Marissa Perez, Viola Garcia, Standing- Lisa Cantu, Aida Palomo, Laura Diaz-Co Head, Rhonda Ramirez-Head, Iris Garza, Nora Silva, Sami Zavala.

## KEEPING BEAR PRIDE ALIVE AND STRONG

Eleven energetic and talented girls worked all summer to prepare for Universal Cheerleader Camp in San Marcos. Adding five new members and a new sponsor didn't hurt the squad at all. These eleven Varsity Cheerleaders went on to win ten blue superior ribbons, three gold superior for being selected finalists in cheer, sideline, and pom-pon routine, and also tied for Superior All Around Trophy.

This years squad which consisted of seven Seniors and four Juniors, were sponsored by first year Varsity sponsor, Nora T. Cantu. Mrs. Cantu is a Homemaking/Child Development Teacher and sponsored the J.V. Cheerleaders of '84.

The Cheerleaders cheered the Mighty Bears not only in Football, but also in Basketball and Baseball. The girls cheered on the Lady Bears in Volleyball and Basketball as well.

However, things weren't all fun and GAMES! The girls had a number of fund raisers to pay for uniforms, which included Cheerleading Clinics for young girls, selling "gummi-bears" and cookies, and even working at the McAllen Palm Bowl.

The 1985-86 Varsity Cheerleaders had a great year with one main goal in mind-Keeping Bear Pride Alive and Strong!



Nora T. Cantu-Sponsor



Ileana, Laura, Aida, and Iris are proud to wear their Senior jackets!





*Sr. - Lisa Cantu*



*Sr. Co-head - Laura Diaz*



*Sr. - Iris Garza*



*Celebrating a Victory!*



*Sr. - Viola Garcia*



*Sr. - Aida Palomo*





*Jr. - Marissa Perez*



*Sr. Head - Rhonda Ramirez*



*Jr. - Andrea Shawn*



*Jr. - Nora Silva*



*Sr. - Ileana Villarreal*



*Jr. - Sami Zavala*



The 1985-86 Bearettes, which consist of 47 very talented girls, had an outstanding year. These girls performed marvelous halftime routines at both football and basketball games which they learned at various camps this summer such as, Super Star Drill Team Camp in Houston, American Drill Team Camp in Kingsville, and Lyn Bates School of Dance.

Officers, as well as members, did exceptionally well at these camps and performed them at their Annual Variety Show for the public. Solos were performed by Annie Guzman-Major and Yvonne Herrera-1st Capt. Routines were also performed in groups of Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores, Right and Left Guides, and by ranks.

The Bearettes Variety Show was only one of the new fund raisers the girls had this year. They also had an Enchilada Dinner and several Bearette Clinics in which they teach young girls routines, marching, and high kicking.

The Bearettes went on to competition in Brownsville and San Antonio where they kept up their Super Star Drill Team Tradition.

The girls were sponsored this year by Mrs. Sylvia Navarro and Ms. Belinda Flores.

## BEARETTES . . . A SUPER STAR DRILL TEAM



*l. to r. - C. Ramos-2nd Lt., J. Martinez-3rd Capt., Y. Herrera-1st Capt., M. Pena-2nd Capt., A. Ramirez-3rd Lt., M. Mesquitic-1st Lt., V. Garcia-4th Lt., C. Castillo-4th Capt., Center A. Guzman-Major*



*Top l. to r. - Y. Champion, M. Bustamante, C. Guerra, I. Rodriguez, S. Garcia, A. Munoz, E. Gonzalez, L. Enriquez, C. Flores, A. Salinas, B. Franta, M. Olivares, L. Echevarria D. Estes, J. Martinez, R. Trevino, E. Garza, A. Hinojosa, M. Ureste, N. Alvarado, Y. Martinez, M. Reyna, T. Cantu, C. Echevarria, S. Mesa, D. Morin, S. Rodriguez, A. Ramirez, M. Moreno, S. Alaroon, M. Jimenez, L. Garza, M. Garza, R. DeMesquitic, J. Martinez, Y. Herrea, A. Guzman, M. Pena, C. La Cruz, C. Munoz, M. Garza, M. Rincones, L. Toivas, O. Castillo, C. Ramos, V. Garcia*





Seniors-Top L. to R. Y. Martinez, I. Flores, M. Bustamante, N. Alvarado, M. Pena, M. Reyna, J. Martinez, Y. Herrera, A. Guzman, M. Mesquitic, J. Martinez, D. Morin, A. Munoz, C. Ramos, E. Gonzalez, C. Castillo, S. Garcia, S. Meza



Sponsors-S. Navarro and B. Flores



Annie Guzman-Major 85-86



Juniors-L. to R.-O. Rodriguez, S. Alarcon, T. Cantu, M. Jimenez, B. Ayala, D. Ureste, A. Ramirez, M. Olivares, A. Salinas, V. Garcia, C. Munoz, C. Moreno, M. Echevarria



R. and L. Guides- M. Jimenez, A. Salinas, M. Olivares, I. Flores, J. Martinez, A. Munoz, S. Garcia, E. Gonzalez, M. Echevarria, C. Munoz, N. Alvarado, M. Reyna, C. Moreno, S. Meza



Soph.-Y. Champion, C. Guerra, B. Franta, L. Echevarria, L. Tovar, M. Rincones, T. Estes, R. De La Cruz, L. Garza, M. Ruiz, M. Garza, A. Hinojosa, L. Enriquez, E. Garza, M. Garza, R. Trevino, S. Rodriguez



Bearettas of the Week-M. Reyna, Y. Martinez, B. Franta, L. Echevarria, M. Echevarria



Soph. Sgt.-Liza Enriquez





Osoette Officers L to R are: Gracie Gonzalez, 1st lieutenant; Tessie Perez, Co-Captain; and Patty Ramirez, Captain.



Sophomore Osoettes L to R are: Ofelia Magallan, Norma Ramirez, Landy Mendoza, Esmeralda Escobar, Blanca Villalobos, and Anita Ramirez

Osoettes are L to R: Irene Telles, Gracie Gonzalez, Patty Ramirez, Tessie Perez, and Dollie Lopez



## OSOETTES:

The 1985-86 Osoettes, as bear backers for the high school, hold various obligations throughout the year. It is very important for the Osoettes to take part in, and help out the cheerleaders during all the varsity games: football, basketball, and baseball. The Osoettes are spirit promoters. Besides helping out the cheerleaders, during the games and pep rallies they try to help students and spectators keep up with their cheer. They also do hand and dance routines which lighten up the stands with friendly faces to set the mood. This year the Osoettes had two sponsors instead of the "Traditional" one. Also for the first time after several years they had a male manager. Being as successful this year as in the past, they managed to try "new styles" in uniforms, which brought them the attention they deserved. Through victories or defeats, there will always be a smile and signs of encouragement on the Osoette faces.



Junior Osoettes L to R are: Adrie Sanchez, and Adriana Garcia.



Osoette manager: Roland Gutierrez.



# "STARS IN THEIR OWN SKY!"



1985-86 Osoettes; kneeling: Gracie G., Patty R., Tessie P.  
2nd row L to R: Adriana G., Esmeralda E., Blanca V.,  
Anita R., Landie M., Irene T. 3rd row L to R: Norma R.,

Dollie L., Ofelia M., Adrie S. (not shown: Alice C., Aurora  
C., Norma G., Anna S., Margaret Y.)



Osoette Sponsor Mrs. A. Perez.



Miss Osoette Dollie Lopez.



Osoette Sponsor Ms. M. Cajina.



# PSJA STUDENTS JOIN TOGETHER IN FAITH

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is a club which holds high standards for its members. Grades as well as self-respect and dignity are never over-looked. FCA is a group of students who work together to help our school achieve greatness. FCA is a club made of athletes who want to know more about Christ but with other athletes around the school and the Valley. FCA is

not only composed of football players, but its members also include Cheerleaders, Bearettes, Osoettes, and Band Members. Sponsoring FCA this year were Coach Thomas Ray Shawhan and Pualino Ramirez.



1985-86 FCA Officers; L. to R.: Mario Guajardo, Raul Alaniz, Myrna Hernandez, Debbie Salinas, Letty Cantu, Above: Fred Garcia



Coach Thomas Ray Shawhan-Sponsor



1985-86 FCA Members are: bottom-Debbie Salinas, 1st row L. to R.; Noe Martı́nez, Fred Garcia, Mario Guajardo, Raul Alaniz, Myrna Hernandez, Joseph Sweet, Martina Hernandez, Letty Cantu, Rosie Garza, Betty De la Garza, 2nd Row; Melida Reyna, Chuck Cortez, Lisa Cantu, SENIOR, CYN-DEE CATTILLO, Oscar Vargas, Rhonda Ramirez, Yvonne Herrera, Judy Martinez,

Myriam Silva, Mary Garza, Edna Barrera 3rd row; Juan Gonzalez, Raul Salinas, Rick Tovar, Joe Garza, Joe Garza, David Bentencourt, Ricky Lozano, Ray Perez, Lizzy Garza, 4th row; Juan Ponce, George Watts, Ruben Garcia, Mauricio Gonzalez, Walo Serna.



# FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES SHARE WITH ONE ANOTHER

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes was a spectacular success this year, due to terrific leadership and great responsiveness of the girls. This year the "girls huddle", which is what the girls named their club, was involved in numerous events. When FCA met every week they shared their life experiences and learned more about Christ. The club's main goal was to introduce the Christian way of life.



1985-86 FCA Sponsors Coach Julia Perez, Maribel Boughs, and Coach Robert Vela



1985-86 FCA Officers; Debbie Salinas-Treasurer, Myrna Hernandez-V. President, Letty Cantu-President, Edna Barrera-Secretary, Becky Cavazos-Chairman



1985-86 FCA members are; Bottom; Debbie Salinas, Myrna Hernandez, Letty Cantu, Becky Cavazos, Edna Barrera Second Row; Elvira Moreno, Norma Fonseca, Rosie Garza, Lydia Castillo, Maribel Palomo, Sponsor Maribel Boughs, Ophelia Media, Myriam Silva, Betty De la Garza, Sponsor-Coach J. Perez



## F.T.A. MEMBERS HOLD PROMISING FUTURE

More and more we see how society is trying to better itself through its growing youth. There are clubs and organizations for the youth to help better their future. A prime example of one of these clubs is Future Teachers of America. This club's purpose is to show interested students what the teaching profession is all about. Future Teachers of America encourages students to seek the teaching profession. It also provides a chance for students to work with teachers in order for them to get a first hand look at the field of teaching. This tradition allows students to know that education is the key to the future. To maintain this, club members held fund raisers. Fund raisers such as taking responsibility of concession stands at University Interscholastic League tournaments. Another fund raiser was the sale of candy. Future Teachers of America is a Club of tomorrow.



F.T.A. members enjoy lunch at a famous, shiek restaurant.



Mrs. Julie Bonous- sponsor



F.T.A. officers for 1985-86: Gilbert Soto-Pres., Leo Pedraza-Vice-Pres., Julie Hernandez-Tres., Betty Gonzalez-Sec., Janoise Leal-Rep., Barbara Hernandez-Parl., Lydia Villareal-Chap.



Bottom Row: Julie Holinworth, Juvina Garcia, Alma Zamora, Delvina Lopez, Monica Ramirez, Yvette Lopez, Nellie Garcia, Janie Morin, Chris Ortiz, Barbra Hernandez, Top row: Letty Garcia, Leo Pedraza, Freddy Ibanaz, Evrado Jaimez, Rosario Cantu, Rachel Trevino, Gilbert Soto, Janiose Leal



# NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

## STUDENTS STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE

The PSJA National Honor Society is an organization that creates enthusiasm for scholarships, stimulates a desire to render service, promotes worthy leadership, and encourages the development of character in students. Most students strive for the excellence it takes to be inducted into the National Honor Society. Being inducted into NHS is a very prestigious honor. Not only does being a member give a student recognition in High School but it also helps stu-

dents enter the college of his or her choice. The society's main objective is to foster a sincere desire to maintain academic excellence and to instill a love of learning within all students. It has been a tradition of the National Honor Society to initiate new members. This year the initiation was held in the cafeteria. Students who are inducted into NHS are all responsible, loyal, and all are an asset to PSJA.



1985-86 NHS Officers are; Fred Villareal-Secretary, Becky Gonzalez-Treasurer, Russell Beamsley-President, Christy Ramos-V. President



Karen Reynolds and E.J. Ballew-Sponsors



1985-86 NHS Old Members are; Raul Martinez, Nancy Gonzalez, Ruben Gonzalez, Alma Alzandua, Sandra Gutierrez, Valerie Santillan, Becky Gonzalez, Russell Beamsley, Trino Medina, Isabel Flores 2nd row; Robert Garza, Joe Garcia, Vinney Ianelli, Philo Oaks, Diana Morine, Sandra Garcia, Johnny Ward,

Yvonne Herrera, Judy Martinez, Felipa Sanchez, Mona-Lisa Pena, Martina Hernandez, Christy Ramos, Monica Moya, Cris Bearden, Lurdes Valdez, Giranimo Lopez, Fred Villareal, Robert Garza



1985-86 NHS New Members are; Robert Salinas, Sara Reyes, Anna Garcia, Santanna Reyes, Mary Garza, Janie Montez, Suzanna Olivarez, Cathy Garza, Yvette Torres, Emma Ramos, Efrain Fuentes, 2nd row; Roy Garza, Frank Gonzalez, Ricky Puente, Robert Mesa, Rick Alvarado, Pat Rodriguez, Paul

Gonzalez, Arturo Guajardo, Nadine Lopez, Hilda Lopez, Belinda Mirnof, Letty Qusada, Michelle Navarro, Jennifer Koleba, Monica Gonzalez, Homer Cantu, Kim Fiala, Frank Lopez, Angie Ramirez, Mario Lizcano, Lizzy Ramirez, Dora Chapa



# "FRIENDSHIP HAS NO BORDERS"

The Pan American Student Forum, better known as P.A.S.F., has been as, or better yet more active this year than in the past years. The main goal of this club is to make students aware of the fact that they sometimes depend on other country's cultures, religion, and customs. This organization has a motto of "Friendship Has No Borders" and shows this by sponsoring a student exchange and a State Convention to further emphasize this.



PASF members are: seated L to R Dollie Lopez, Ana Perez, Maria Lourdes, Susie Ibarra, Felipa Sanchez, Tessie Perez, Alberto Casarez, Trino Medina, Ruth Hernandez, and Veronica Benavidez.



Shown above is Ana Perez with Daniel Tijerina and Irasema Pimentel, Student exchange sponsors.



PASF members take time to pose for a picture during one of their successful bake sales.



Lourdez Valdez at the P.A.S.F. District Competition Convention.



PASF Sponsors are G. Bustos and A. Lopez



Members putting up a poster



Members getting ready to take group picture.



# THE HISTORY CLUB-ENCOURAGING FURTHER STUDY OF THE PAST



Mr. J. Reyna-Head Sponsor

The History Club might be small in number, but they're certainly high in quality. The primary reason for the existence of the club is to encourage the appreciation and further study of history. The History club met every second and fourth Friday of each month under the supervision of both Mr. J. Reyna and Mr. G. De La Garza. This year the club promoted such projects as the yearly tradition of observing Veteran's Day on November 11. For the Texas Sesquicentennial, the club donated a tree and a shrub to be planted on campus. They also donated a Valley History Book to the PSJA library. This year the History Club took a field trip to San Antonio to further their study in Texas History and at the same time have a little fun.



Mr. G. De La Garza-Co-sponsor



The 1985-86 History Club members are as follows front row L to R: B. Sepulveda, A. Luna, C. Martinez, L. Singleterry, H. Cantu, E. Cantu, Back row L to R: J. Oyervides, R. Flores, J. Cano, D. Lopez, C. Martinez.



Club Officers are standing L to R: Alma Luna; Sec., David Lopez; Pres., Rosie Flores; V. Pres., Kneeling: Javier Oyervides; Rep., and Joe Cano; Treas.



History club members looking over the books that were donated to the library.



# PSJA UIL CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY

For over 75 years, students have competed in UIL competition in almost every state. Many people relate UIL to such events as football, basketball, band etc. However, the Universal Interscholastic League also has competitions such as drama, typing and a great deal more of intellectual competition.

Celebrating our 10th Anniversary, the PSJA UIL team did remarkably well. "Through UIL competition, students build self-confidence, experience teamwork, develop the ability to lead and the willingness to follow. Students in UIL also foster self-discipline, complement their classwork and discover that the true meaning of

winning is doing their best!" stated PSJA UIL coordinator Mrs. Doyle.

There are a total of eight UIL events. Prose and Poetry, Informative and Persuasive and Debate, are three events in which students show their speaking ability. In Science students are given three categories to answer questions in Biology, Physics, and Chemistry. Typing contestants are required to type five minute writing skills. Shorthand, which is somewhat like Typing, requires students to take a five minute dictation and then transcribe it at a typewriter. In Journalism, events are broken up into four categories: Newswriting, Editorial Writing,

Headline Writing, and Feature Writing. Students are to show their creative writing abilities. Drama allows students to perform their acting ability in duet acting, solo acting, and group acting. Accounting, sponsored by Ms. Serna works with calculators and income tax.

In each event, students represented PSJA at a great deal of tournaments throughout the Valley and also at other school functions. The group held two of their own tournaments-The Junior High Invitational Tournament held on January 25 and The Varsity Invitational Tournament on February 8.



Jr.-David B. and Soph.-Albert L. practice their duet!



UIL Sponsors- L. to R.-Mr. Bounous-Spelling, Mr. Martinez-Debate, Persuasive and Informative, Mr. Zepeda-Duets and Drama, Mr. Franco-Science, Mr. Rodriguez-Journalism, Mrs. Scales-Typing, Mrs. Guzman-

Shorthand, Ms. Serna-Accounting, Mrs. Doyle-Prose and Poetry, UIL Coordinator.



UIL Typing- Marisela Cantu, Maria O. Bautisa, Miss S. Scales- sponsor, and Jovita Lozano.



Persuasive, Informative, Debate-L. to R. Monica Ramirez, Lori Hooks, Mario Alaniz, Malissa Williams, Mr. Rey Martinez.





*Accounting-R. Flores, T. Feeney, O. Macias, L. Gurrola, Ms. Serna, S. Garcia, E. Castillo, L. Ruiz.*



*Drama-H. Lozano, C. Salazar, M. Davila, J. Pena, S. Zavala, R. Gonzalez, D. Fischer, J. Blackwell, O. Gonzalez, M. Perez, L. Hooks, M. Gonzalez, C. Fischer, J. Gonzalez, Y. Torres, J. Gore, D. Burciaga, E. Ramos, M. Guerra, D. Barrera, R. Gonzalez, A. Fuentes, E. Guerra, P. Cano, M. Alaniz, R. Cortez, J. Garcia, M. Ramirez.*



*Shorthand-M. Mendoza, Ms. M. Guzman, N. Huerta.*



*Prose and Poetry-M. Davila, O. Gonzalez, M. Perez, L. Hooks, M. Gonzalez, J. Gonzalez, Y. Torres, J. Gore, E. Ramos, M. Guerra, Ms. Doyle, D. Barrera.*



*Science-R. Martinez, R. Beamsley, Mr. Franco, R. Hernandez, F. Gonzalez, L. Saldana, L. Garcia.*



*Journalism-J. Munoz, D. Villarreal, F. Villarreal, J. Martinez, Y. Thornburg, J. Sanders, S. Villarreal, I. Alanis, R. Rivera.*



# THE BEAR'S TALE: READ ALL ABOUT IT!!

"I need a typewriter! I need a story! I need a headline! I need an introduction! I need typing paper!" Everyday of the week, Journalism II students shout these questions to get their job done. What is this in reference to? None other than, 'The Bear's Tale,' the school newspaper. Once a month plus an extra issue were printed for the 1985-86 school year. Some 30 gifted and talented writers make up the class. For the first time in P.S.J.A.'s history, The Bear's Tale has a junior as Editor-in-Chief, Rey Rivera. Rey, then a sophomore, attended the State finals in editorial writing last May, in Austin, thus earning his position. Joining Rey as his staff were assistant editors Jackie Sanders and Norma Vela both Seniors. The reporters Iliaana Alanis, Laura Diaz, Deni Fisher, Ben Garza, Kay Garza, Melinda Garza, Romeo Garza, Annie Guzman, Yolanda Martinez, Joe Moreno, Johnny Moncivais, Aida Palomo and Yvette Thornburg, all Seniors. Junior reporters are David Barrera, Gilbert Garza, Iris Garza, Isaac Garza, Alex Guerra, Johnny Martinez, Jon Landeros, Sara Reyes, Alma Rodriguez, and Danny Villar-

eal. Contributing reporters were Seniors Mario Alanis, and Mario Guajardo. Junior Sonny Villarreal and one Sophomore, Jerry Munoz, whose writing contributions added zest to the newspaper. Also contributing was Journalism I, 3rd period class. Like every year the Bear's Tale published outstanding stories to boring stories, positive as well as negative, funny to informative stories, sports to commending, rewarding to criticizing. Editorials were the main issues for the year. Who can forget the band story as well as the Miss Pharr story that drew not only campus attention, but the community. Letters to the editor pumped in. The editorials were written as every journalist knows, simply to express themselves in writing of a certain event or situation. Bear's Tale reporters were boiling to respond, but were limited. Wishing to express ones opinion by writing is a virtue and most of all its an accomplishment for the voice of freedom, but of course, only to a certain extent. Readers on the other hand seemed to enjoy the paper because nearly all the issues were sold out. That's something to be proud of,

to all of the staff members. The Journalism Room F.105 might be always noisy during 4th period as some 500 students walking in or out, knocking on the door some 100 times, telephone calls by the dozen, or the room becoming a second cafeteria during lunch time. But one thing for sure, it's the journalism students who write the stories merely to entertain the P.S.J.A. student while there wasn't really much faculty support, only a mere fraction. It's the student newspaper. The students make the news and it's reported. Maybe not all is reported but at least we try. 10 issues are printed mainly of 4 to 6 pages with a couple of issues at an all time record breaking of 12 pages; standard size, that is. But no matter the story, the year 1985-86 was overwhelming with exciting news. Without these 30 so called brilliant writers, the Bears' Tale wouldn't be printed and of course without the P.S.J.A. student buying the paper, nothing. Whatever the case, news is everywhere and you'll see and hear a journalism reporter just about everywhere. And what's their favorite question? "What do you think of . . ."



Senior Laura Diaz as the second year reporter



Junior Iris Garza, first year reporter



Senior Annie Guzman, first year reporter



Senior Jackie Sanders, an assistant editor celebrates her 18th birthday.



Junior Johnny Martinez, gets ready to sell papers on his bicycle, inside the journalism room.

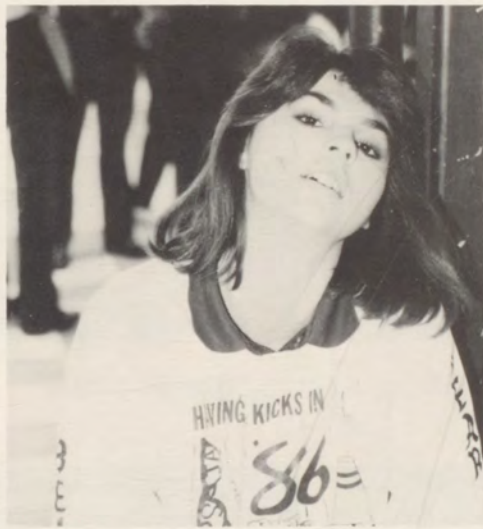




*Junior Rey Rivera- as editor-in-chief*



*Junior Danny Villarreal proceeds to sell a Bear's Tale to Junior Mark Navarro.*



*Senior Yvette Thornburg, the editorial columnist.*



*Junior Jon Landeros, first year reporter*



*Senior Johnny Moncivais, struggles to sell the papers.*



*1985-86 Bear's Tale Staff- Isaac G., Danny V., Melinda G., Alex G., Yolanda M., Jackie S., Ilana A., Rey R., and Yvette T., Norma V., Johnny M., Aida P., Gibby G., Annie G., David B., Ben., Romeo G., Laura D., and Deni F., Sara R., Alma R., Iris G., and Johnny M., not pictured were Kay G., Jon Landeros, Joe Moreno, Mario Guajardo and Mario Alaniz.*



*Senior Norma Vela, as assistant editor-in-chief*



*Seniors Melinda Garza and Yolanda Martinez as feature editors.*



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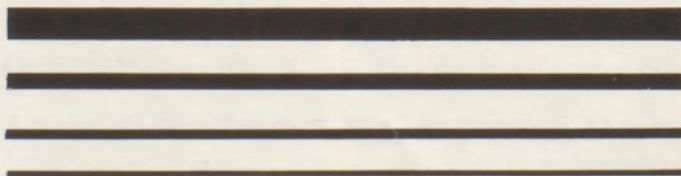


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*Sara Reyes*



*Alma Rodriguez*



*Yvette Thornburg*



*Danny Villarreal*



*Jackie Sanders-Assistant Editor*



*Norma Vela-Assistant Editor*



# BEAR MEMORIES: WE'RE ALL IN THE FAMILY

Just what is the Yearbook Staff at P.S.J.A. all about? Is it easy, difficult, fun, or exciting? You might say; Believe it or not, it's a little of everything. It's easy if you know what you're doing, difficult if you're in the dark ages, fun because you enjoy what you're accomplishing, exciting because it's something that you look forward to seeing after the yearbook is completed. *Bear Memories 1986* is a big memory book of what happened in seven months. This year's staff is composed of at least 28 members, the largest ever: Introducing the Sophomores, Jesse Mireles, Antero Portales and Jerry Munoz. The Juniors, Danny Sanchez, Gabriel Avendano, Johnny Martinez, Sonny Villareal, Jerry Pentico, Rey Rivera, and Pete Zuniga. The seniors, Kay Garza, Melinda Garza, Gracie Gonzalez, Mary Hiller, Gerry Jackson, Olga Macias, Johnny Pacheco, Javier Portales, Jackie Sanders, Yvette Thornburg, Norma Vela, Ric Torres, Tena Sabala, Fred Villarreal, Romeo Garza, and Laura Diaz. Photographers, Pete Zuniga, Gabby Avendano, Mary Hiller, and Jerry Munoz. The once photographers, Ernie Gonzalez and Jenny Pentico. Although at times nearly all staff members once snapped pictures to share duties or capture events for their own section. The staff had its share of everything. For some members sure it was easy to layout pages,

or selecting pictures. But for some, it was a nightmare. Trying to meet deadlines was chaos; "Where's contact sheet #34? Some pictures are missing? Where are the sports pages? Where's the grease pencil? What am I to do? Am I doing this correct? What's a pica ruler? How did I get in Journalism Class? What am I doing here!?" For some yearbook members, the fun and excitement is always around. Although not all are committed or dedicated, the students do manage to lend a helping hand. For the photographers its a whole world. The photographers are the main people, for they are to capture and take pictures for the members to work with. No pictures, no work. This year the photographers were many, not professionals, or even amateurs, just plain photographers and trying to learn, at least they seemed to. What ever the case may be, every yearbook staff members went through some incredible emotions while at work this past year. Arguments broke out, but a little love also erupted. Tears were shed, hunger hit the stomachs pretty hard. Some had jobs and plenty of money while others

barely scraped. Excuses were a never-ending phenomena. Jokes and laughs were also tearjerkers. The radio, "old faithful", she shed lots of music. After school hours and even weekends were spent to meet hectic deadlines. Lack of cold air during hot days and heat during cold weather created angry faces for journalism students. But probably the most intolerable sitcom was the lack of typewriters. But even with the broken typewriters, ruined chemicals, missing pictures and pages, writers block, lonely hearts, broken hearts, new boyfriends, new girlfriends, favoritism, jealousy, heated tempers, satisfying hearts, breaking up, too many chiefs and not enough indians, the love of everyone kept everybody going. Believe it or not, this is what happened. Where did all this take place? Where else but in the Journalism E-105. After all. "We're all in the family."



First year hand, Sophomores Jesse Mireles and Antero Portales contribute by laying out the sophomore section.



Sophomore Jerry Munoz, one of the staff photographers.



Senior Fred Villarreal, Editor-in-Chief



Senior Kay Garza, staff member



Junior Rey Rivera was copy editor, wrote sports copy, and contributed in laying out some club pages as well.



Seniors Norma Vela, Olga Macias, and Melinda Garza, helped out in laying out the Senior Section. Senior Features and part of the organization pages.





Senior Jackie Sanders, photography editor



Junior Johnny Martinez, sports section editor



Senior Ricky Torres was assistant editor



Senior Yvette Thornburg was organizations editor



Junior Sonny Villarreal, assistant sports editor



Senior Jerry Jackson, assistant organizations editor



1985-86- Bear Memories staff. Gabby A., Olga M., Pacheco, Melinda G., Iliana A., Jackie S., and Yvette T., Ricky T., Gracie G., Mary H., Norma V., Sonny V., Javier P., Jessie M., and Jenny P., Rey R., Jerry M., Pete Z., and Jerry J., Tena S., Johnny M., Kay G., Danny S., Fred V., and Antero P., not pictured were Laura D., and Romeo G.



Senior Javier Portales, as assistant editor-in-chief



Sophomore Jesse Mireles completes his pages on time.





*Iliana Alanis*



*Gabby Avendano*



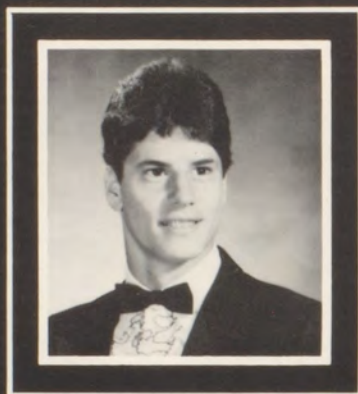
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# *BEAR MEMORIES*



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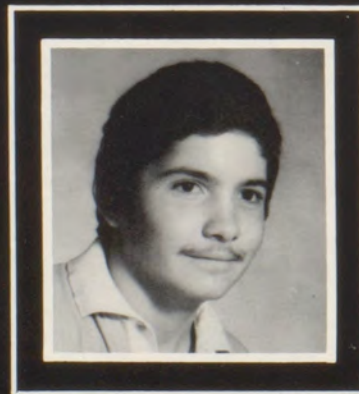
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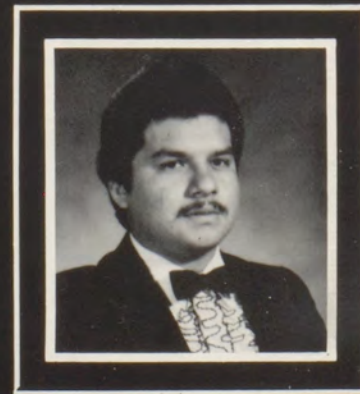
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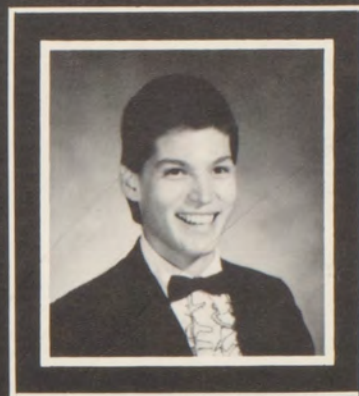




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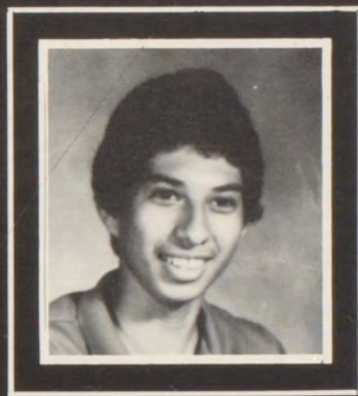
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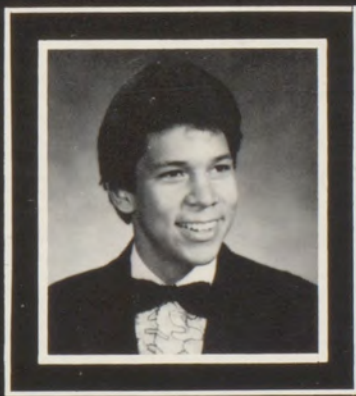


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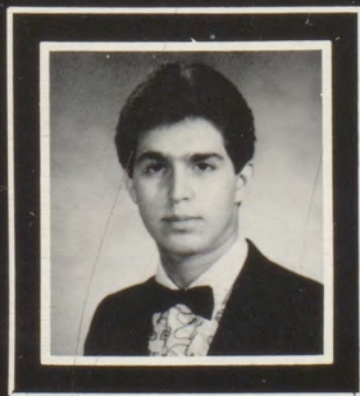
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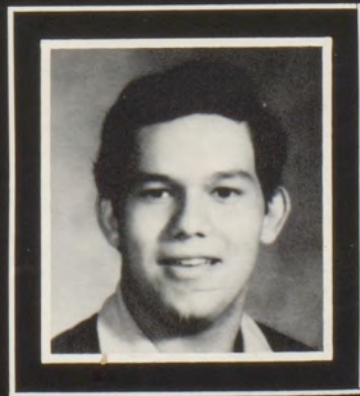
*Rick Torres*



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*Fred Villarreal*



*Sonny Villarreal*



*Pete Zuniga*



*Mr. A. Rodriguez-Advisor*



# HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU... ATHLETICS

Is it the thrill of victory or the agony of defeat? Pride is usually the driving force that keeps athletes striving to reach great levels of achievement. Even though the agony of defeat is often felt, it is pride and spirit that keeps an athlete striving to achieve the thrill of victory. Spirit unites a team with their fellow alumni. administration, its community would not have anything to look forward to. For example, Friday night football games, a winning basketball game with large crowds, that famous home run hit, cross country running around, volleyball girls determination as well as the girls basketball team. Although not many spectators go and see these fine athletes, the athletes still perform to the best of their ability. PSJA athletes are not only rated on their talent but also on their academic ability. The famous "No Pass, No Play" rule managed to claim some victims after each six weeks period, but afterwards the determined athletes struck back with flying colors. For the PSJA athlete who competed this year, he or she sets the example that the strive in athletic competition does not fade away.

**JOHNNY MARTINEZ JR. AND SONNY VILLARREAL**  
**ATHLETIC EDITORS**







# TENNIS SWINGS INTO ACTION

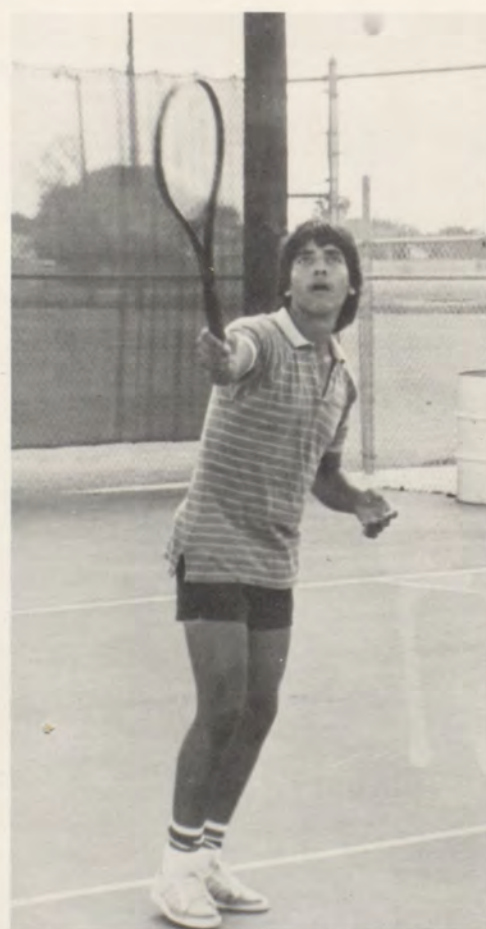
Coach Cathy Garza had much to be proud of, as she led the Varsity Tennis team to an outstanding season. Leading the male netters were Homer Salinas and Joe Cano. This duo also made up one of P.S.J.A.'s better doubles teams, as they advanced to the late rounds in almost every tournament. Ray Olvera and Jaime Morales proved that they could also be a force in doubles play as they won the Edingburg Doubles Tournament. The Boys Varsity Team was made up of Homer Salinas, Joe Cano, Ray Olvera, and Jaime Morales. Although the Girls Varsity Team had no real standout, they did contribute as they helped the entire team capture third place in the Weslaco Tournament.



*Esmeralda Garcia powers the ball over the net.*



*Members of the Varsity Tennis Team are: L to R Sharla Gernantz, Kay Garza, Christine Carrasco, Elena Cantu, Claudia Mendez, Anna Salinas, Esmeralda Garcia. Standing from L to R: John Blackwell, Homer Salinas, Joe Cano, Ray Olvera, Jaime Morales.*



*Anna Salinas uses style and technique in her game.*

*Jaime Morales keeps his eye on the ball in his attempt to return the ball.*

*Ray Olvera hits a home run as the ball sails over the net.*



# JV TENNIS MAKES A LOT OF RACQUET



*Horacio Garza practices his forehand on a low ball.*



*The P.S.J.A. JV Tennis Team are as follows: Kneeling L to R are John Blackwell, Christine Carrasco, Janie Estrada and Horacio Garza. Standing L to R are Javier Oyervidez, Santos Vera, Carlos Elizondo, Amy Lopez, Jessie Quiroz, and Rene Cancino.*



*Jessie Quiroz makes a spectacular return, during afternoon practice.*



*Santos Vera tries to hit John Blackwell with the tennis ball.*



*Carlos Elizondo shows off his talent in an attempt to return the ball to the opponent.*



## VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TIES FOR CO-CHAMPIONSHIP



Coach J. Perez

All of the hard work, dedication, patience, and practice finally paid off as the Lady Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Varsity Volleyball team captured a share of the District 32-5A title. The Lady Bears rolled over most of their opponents but were sidetracked by both of the McAllen teams in the first round. The Bears tied with Eagles from Mission for the title. Although the Lady Eagles were the pre-favorites the Bears were able to defeat them in both of their encounters. The first meeting between these two teams took place in Mission where the Lady Bears won the match in two straight games. The second game took place in P.S.J.A. where a grueling three game match had to be played to decide if Mission

would keep the title to themselves or if P.S.J.A. would also get a piece of the title. In the outcome the Lady Bears would win the game 15-6, 5-15, 16-14. Flour bluff was the site of the Area match between P.S.J.A. and South San Antonio Bobcats in the first Round of the State playoffs. The Lady Bears were eliminated after three hard fought games. The Lady Bears won the first game 15-8, but a tough San Antonio team forced a third game when they took the second game 15-5. The third and deciding game went down to the wire and the Bobcats from San Antonio won the game and the right to continue in the playoffs.



1985-86 Varsity Volleyball members from L to R- Myrna Hernandez, Santa Hernandez, Ofelia Medina, Belina Rlores, Debbie Salinas, Letty Cantu, Marty Garcia.



The Lady Bears, led by Letty Cantu, eagerly await the opposing teams service.

Jr. Myrna Hernandez does extra work on her own time to improve her game.

The Srs volleyball players showed off their pride and spirit with their shirts.





## REBUILDING SEASON FOR J.V. VOLLEYBALL



*Coach Robert Vela*

Consisting mainly of sophomores, this year's Pharr- San Juan-Alamo Junior Varsity Volleyball Team did not do as well as early season predictions, as they only compiled a record of 5 wins and 16 losses. Coaching this years team was Robert Vela. Using this year as a stepping stone for next year the J.V. hopes to pick up where their older counterparts left off and hopefully start a winning volleyball tadition here at P.S.J.A.



*Members of the 1985-86 J.V. team are bottom row 1-r: Diana Diaz, Ronnie Rico, Ester Garza, Lydia Castillo, Mary Garza, and Norma Fonseca. Back 1-r: Racheal Anders, Becky Castillo, Mary Neubaureur, Anita Horn, Betty De la Garza, and Myriam Silva.*



*Members of the J.V. team relax before they go back into the game.*



*Betty De la Garza becomes airborne to meet the ball.*

*An unidentified player attempts to hit the ball back over the net as the referee looks on.*



# SOPHOMORES DO IT AGAIN: DISTRICT CHAMPS



The Sophomore 1985-86 Team are: bottom L to R Juan Espinoza, Rigo Rivera, Joe Barbarena, Jesse Pena, Ceasar Gonzalez, Fidel Pizano, Albert Lopez, Epifanio Ulloa, Bobby Ramirez, Damian Guevara, Ricky Hernandez, Abel Garza. 2nd Row L to R, Ricky Ramirez, Oscar Hernandez, Mario Gantu, Raul Pequeno, Tony Garcia, Mario Bracamontes, Javier Rodriguez, Martin Hernandez, Mark Gonzalez,

Robert Diaz, Rene Barrera, Javier Reyna, Oscar Vargas, Cleo Lopez, Joe Padilla. 3rd Row L to R. Frank Lopez, Nick Romero, Noe Martinez, Joe Estrada, David Arcaute, O. J. Navarro, George Watts, Jerry Munoz, Sammy Borrega, Joe Ponce, Danny Ledesa, Ruben Garcia, Roy Liuzcano.

For the second year in a row the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Sophomore Football team has won the District 32-5A title. Under the leadership of coaches Dan Coplea and Eseo Pompa the sophomores rolled to won/loss record of 7 and 2. In their first game of the year, the sophomores played a very determined Hidalgo J.V. team. With quarterback Joe Estrada at the controls they defeated the Pirates by a score of 21-0. With this win the Ositos proved to everyone that they would be a force to reckon with in the District race. The Sophomores then opened up District play by traveling to Harlingen to face their bitter rivals, the Cardinals. The defense played an outstanding game stopping Harlingen's potent running attack as well as grounding their aerial attack. The final score was PSJA 28, Harlingen 0. Following the victory over Harlingen, the Baby Bears stayed home to face the Mission Eagles. Both defenses played well and a touchdown by Ricky Hernandez proved to be the winning points as the sophomores defeated the Eagles by a score of 7-6. The next week, the Sophomores traveled to McAllen to face the McHigh Bulldogs. Although the Dogs played an outstanding game, the Baby Bears once again came home victorious, this time by a score of 21-0. The Edinburg

Bobcats then came to town to try and defeat the Sophomores who were on cloud nine after four straight victories. The Cats came out looking for a win, but the Baby Bruins would not be denied. Once again the Sophomores came out on top, this time by a score of 7-0. With the win over the Bobcats the Sophomores were the leading contenders to take the District crown, but with four games remaining, they could not let up. Their next opponent was the Brownsville Hanna Eagles. Once again stingy defensive units contributed to a low scoring game. Although the Sophomores scored only once a two yard scoring run by Albert Lopez, it was enough to win as they edged the Eagles 7-6. The following week, the Baby Bears were not so fortunate as they faced the McAllen Memorial Mustand Sophomores. Untimely turnovers and penalties were the main factors which contributed to the first defeat of the year for PSJA. A last minute comeback effort led by quarterbacks Joe Estrada and OJ Navarro was killed by the clock and the game ended Memorial 7, PSJA 6. After suffering their first loss, the Sophomores were looking for revenge. Their opponent was to be the San Benito Greyhounds, but as in schools all over Texas, House Bill 72 ravaged the Greyhound Sophomore

team so badly that they had to forfeit the game. Although they did not play against San Benito, 19 Sophomores helped contribute to a JV victory against San Benito by a score of 37-12. The next week, the Sophomores face non-district opponent Brownsville Pace. In the first half, Brownsville Pace dominated play and took an 8-0 lead into the half. The Sophomores came out determined to make up for their poor first half performance. Behind a Ricky Hernandez touchdown the Sophomores closed to within three points of the lead. With 50 seconds left on the clock, the Baby Bears tried a last minute goal to win the game. The kick by Joe Estrada was blocked, and with it died the hope for a PSJA victory. When the final buzzer sounded the scoreboard read Pace 8, PSJA 6. After closing to Pace, the Sophomores were up against Brownsville Porter in their final game of the season. The first quarter was scoreless, but as the second quarter progressed, the PSJA Sophomores took charge and scored. Later touchdowns by Abel Garza Martin Hernandez, and Joe Barbarena each contributed to a 30-6 PSJA ROUT.



Joe Padilla blocks for Joe Estrada in a tough game against Harlingen Cardinals in which the Baby Bears came out winners with a score of 28-0. (above picture)

Joe Estrada lunges forward, attempting to get a first down against the Mission Eagles, in a defensive game in which the Sophomores came out victorious 7-6. (right picture)





# J.V. HAS SATISFYING SEASON

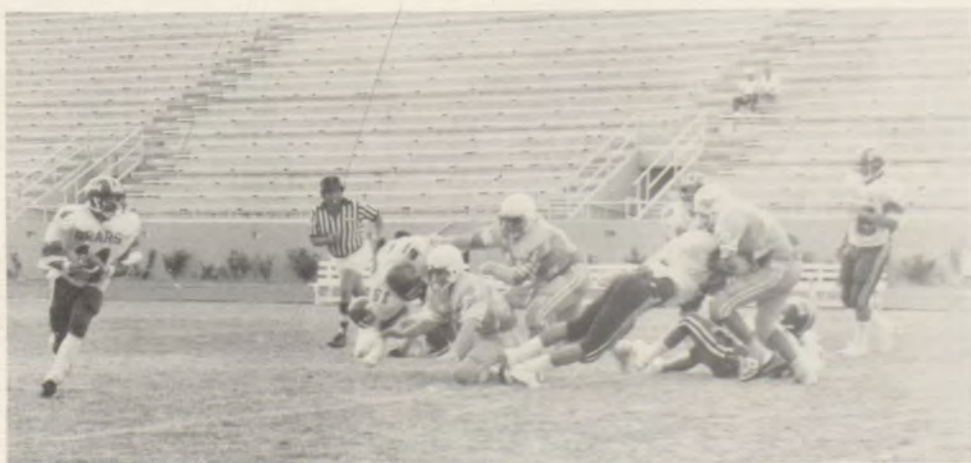
Lead by the expertise coaching of Coach Suarez and Coach Saenz the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Junior Varsity rolled to a satisfying 7-3 season. Although the J.V. had to struggle for most of their 7 wins, they did have some impressive wins. The J.V. opened their season at home with their first of three losses by losing to the Hidalgo Pirates 12-0. The Bears made their way to Harlingen to face the Cardinals where the Bears won their first game of the season 14-7. The Mission Eagles became the Bears next victims as P.S.J.A. tarred the Eagles by 24 points. The final score was P.S.J.A. 36 Mission 12. The week after, P.S.J.A. recorded their first shutout by defeating the McAllen Bulldogs 24-0. Unfortunately the winning streak would not last as the mighty Bobcats from Edinburg came to town and after a tough defensive battle the Bobcats came out on top 6-3. P.S.J.A. quickly made up for the loss by squeezing by the Hanna Eagles. In the next game the tough Memorial Mustangs surprised the Bears with a loss of 6-12. Up next the San Benito Greyhounds traveled to Pharr to challenge the Bears. The Greyhounds Meet a combined effort of sophomores and J.V. as the Bears quickly proved who was the better team by defeating the Hounds 35-12.

The Bears continued this rampage against the Weslaco Panthers beating them 49-0. The final game of the season took P.S.J.A. to Progresso where the Bears played the varsity Progresso Red Ants. The game was wild and exciting. As the Bears pulled off a last minute interception to bring the Bears to their final victory of the season with a score of 26-19.



The P.S.-J.A. Junior Varsity Football Team for 1985-86 Bottom, L to R: Lupe Benavidez, Rudy Garcia, Freddy de Luna, Fabian Lara, Fred Seanz, JJ Serda, Joe Ramirez, Isaac Garza, Javier Estrada, Armando Sandoval, Eric Fonseca. Middle, L to R: Roy Lopez, Eddie Zavala, Johnny Martinez,

Saul Garza, Jose Hernandez, Robert Meza, Marty Cuevas, Gilbert Garza, Javier Sandoval, Paul Medrano. Top, L to R; Mauricio Gonzalez, Ray Pruneda, Juan Cerda, Joe Garza, Adolfo Cantu, Ceasar Gorena, Dennis Morales, David Betancourt, Maroi Lizcano.



Fabian Lara Makes a tackle against the Edinburg Bobcats. top picture Quarterback Marty Cuevas breaks free from the Mustang defense. above The J.V. offense knocking on the door against the Harlingen Cardinals. far right





# CHARLIE WILLIAMS RETURNS TO P.S.J.A. TO LEAD THE BEARS TO A 6-4 SEASON

After a very promising summer, the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Varsity Football team was looking forward to a winning season and possibly even a playoff berth. With Valley legend Charlie Williams at the helm, this idea didn't seem too far-fetched.

The first game of the season raised hopes even higher as the Bears traveled North to face the Corpus Christi Ray Texans. Junior Vitto Puente emerged as the game's standout. Puente, who will be returning next year, gained 108 yards on 19 carries and scored two touchdowns. The potent passing attack of Luis Gonzalez to Charlie Trevino was also unleashed and helped the Battlin' Bears cross the goal line two more times. As the buzzer to end the game sounded, the scoreboard read PSJA 35, Corpus Christi Ray 20.

With the first game of the season behind them, the Bears and the rest of the Tri-City Area looked forward to the long anticipated battle with Harlingen. Many people were predicting that the winner of this annual gridiron war would go on to take the District Crown. In Valley newspapers, heated

words between both coaches further heightened the hype of this intense rivalry. Cardinal Coach Jesse Longhofer brought to Pharr a very well prepared team that capitalized on PSJA's inability to score. The Bears had the ball inside the Cardinal 30 yard line three times and each time the Harlingen defense hung tough and held the Bears scoreless. Early in the fourth quarter Harlingen running back Ronnie Mason scored to give the Cardinals a 20-13 lead that they would never relinquish. Who knows, if the Bears had scored on any one of those possessions in Cardinal territory, the outcome of the game might have been different and it might have completely changed the entire season for PSJA.

After the Harlingen game, things were downhill for the Bears as they lost three consecutive games to Mission, McHigh, and eventual District kingpin Edinburg.

Coming off the heartbreaking loss to Harlingen, the Bears first traveled to Mission to face the potent passing attack of the Eagles. Mission quarterback Rick Gutierrez and his corps of backs and receivers proved to be too much

for the Bears as they riddled the PSJA defense for over 280 total yards. The only score of the game for the Bears came in the form of a Fernando Miranda field goal. The final tally was 14-3 in favor of Mission.

The next week, although they were predicted to win, the Bears once again felt the agony of defeat, this time at the hands of a fired up and much improved McHigh football team. Costly mistakes and penalties sidetracked the Bears as they searched for their first district win. The lone touchdown for PSJA came when Luis Gonzalez hit Steve Flores with a 37 yard scoring pass and Fernando Miranda added the extra point.

The Bear's fourth consecutive loss was a 13-6 thriller with the State ranked Edinburg Bobcats. Even though the Bears scored only two field goals in the first half, those six points proved to be the only points scored on the Bobcat defense all year. Fans were thinking of an upset as the Bobcats lead by only four points at the half 10-6. The second half turned out to be the Bears downfall, however, Bad field position

kept the offense from moving the ball and the game ended in Edinburg's favor, 13-6.

Following the loss to Edinburg, the Bears hosted the lowly Hanna Eagles, as both teams searched for that elusive first District victory. With a narrow five point, 27-22, victory over the Eagles, the Bears finally proved to everyone that they could play well enough to win. Defensive standouts for the Bears were David Guajardo and Sergio Lopez.

With their first district win under their belts, the Bears set their sights on the McAllen Memorial Mustangs, their Homecoming night opponents. The momentum from their victory the week before must have carried over as the Bears bushwhacked the Mustangs by a score of 16-3.

The San Benito Greyhounds would next play host to the Battlin' Bears. While the PSJA defensive team held the Valley's leading rusher, Arturo Zapata, to a measly 67 yards, Vitto Puente ravished the Greyhounds defense for 187 yards. Senior Johnny Moncevais also had an outstanding defensive game and contributed highly to the special teams

unit. Chuck Cortez took his first handoff as a varsity player and took the ball across the goal line for a touchdown. PSJA played up to their expectations as they muzzled the Greyhounds 34-7.

The Bears team then returned to Pharr to meet a fired up Weslaco Panther team who had hopes of playing the spoilers on Parent's Night. Quarterback Luis Gonzalez started the game off by connecting with Charlie Trevino for a 68 yard touchdown pass. Early in the second quarter, the damp and dreary weather that moved in ruined any chances of a high scoring game. The extremely tough Weslaco team refused to give up hope and kept it close as the Bears walked away with a narrow victory. The final score was PSJA 13, Weslaco 7.

The final game of the season found PSJA in Brownsville facing the hapless Porter Cowboys. Once again PSJA running backs found holes in the opposition's defense as Seniors Frank Salazar, Mario Ramirez, and Chuck Cortez each had long runs for touchdowns. Vitto Puente, who finished

second in the District in rushing with 947 yards, provided the rest of the PSJA offense by rushing for 286 yards and scoring four touchdowns. When the buzzer to end the final game of the year sounded, the scoreboard read PSJA 48, Brownsville Porter 0.

Although the season did not turn out as most people expected, a 6 and 4 record was nothing to cry about. The season also had many bright spots, even though many people failed to notice them. For example, being the only team to score on the awesome Edinburg defense is certainly a distinction any team would love to have. For Senior players, pulling together and defeating the Porter Cowboys, in what for many was the last football game of their lives, will certainly become a fond memory. And for returning players, the emergence of such rising stars as Vitto Puente, Johnny Lopez, Arturo Guajardo, Sergio Lopez, and Isaac Garza brought hope for the future.



Members of the Pharr-San Juan-Alamo football team coached by Charlie Williams are, from left to right (front row), Ricky Lizcano, Sonny Villareal, Roman Aguilera, Ray Perez, Hector Trevino, Romeo Garza, Mario Guajardo, Fernando Miranda, Mike Ortega, Ricky Cuevas, Harry Vargas, Armando Lopez, Frank Salazar, and Vitto Puente (second row), Johnny Lopez, Alonso Garza, Mario Ramirez, Sergio Lopez, Charlie Trevino, J.V. Trevino, Hugo Hernandez, Antonio Perez, Frank Ulloa, Raul Bracamontes, Raul Alanis, Roy Leal, Gabino Garza, and Emilio

Vela, (Third row), Robert A. Garza, Ernie Gonzalez, Arturo Guajardo, Robert Garza, Cruz Cardenas, Luis Gonzalez, Artie Sandoval, Chris Rodriguez, Jaime Rodriguez, Omar Benitez, David Guajardo, Carlos Cortez, Eddie Gomez, and Johnny Moncevais, Back row, Amos Hernandez, Eddie Gutierrez, Florencio Escamilla, Ben Garza, Seferino Compian, Fred Garcia, John Quintanilla, Rolando Sanchez, Alejos De Leon, Rory Baurer, J.R. Martinez, Victor Vela, Steve Flores, Florencio Escamilla.



# SCOREBOX

PSJA	35	CC Ray	20
PSJA	13	Harlingen	20
PSJA	3	Mission	14
PSJA	7	McAllen	22
PSJA	6	Edinburg	14
PSJA	27	Hanna	22
PSJA	16	Memorial	3
PSJA	34	San Benito	7
PSJA	13	Weslaco	7
PSJA	48	Porter	0



Members of the P.S.J.A. Bears watch the game from the sidelines. (far left picture)

Ben Garza looks sentimental as he watches his last football game come to a close.(top picture)

The Bears huddled together as a unit as they prepare to engage in battle. (left picture)





The P.S.J.A. scoreboard says it all as the Bears win their first District game against the Brownsville Hanna Eagles. top left

The Bears defense prepares to meet Edingburg offense. above left

The Bobcats try to move the ball against the Bears, the Bears held the state ranked team to 13 points. far top right

Steve Flores takes a break while the defense battles it out on the football field against the Edinburg Bobcats. far right

Coach Coplea and Coach Rivera advise the defensive unit on how to stop the Bobcats.





# CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

## RUNS WILD

Although both Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams finished sixth in their respective divisions, they each had a successful season. The boys were led by the running of Hesiquio Lajeno, who captured 6 individual trophies, and Juan Rodriguez, who had 5 trophies of his own. Iris Garza and Martha Caballero led the girls team each with 5 individual trophies.

The long distance runners were led by the expert coaching of Carlos Vela, a two time state champion, the runners also dedicated themselves in running long distances around campus and even around town mainly to improve their skills, muscles, and endurance. Meets were held and competition was tough for the athletic students.



Kneeling 1-r: Cipriano Lopez, Sergio Velasquez, Juan Rodriguez, Joe Velasquez, and Mario Guardiola. Standing 1-r: Ricky Cordero, Cesar Salazar, Juan DeLeon, Joe Vasquez, Hesiquio Lajeno, and Juan Jose Gonzalez.



Kneeling - Ericka Gutierrez. Standing 1-r: Carmen Jauregui, Iris Garza, Emma Chapa, Martha Caballero.



Sergio Velasquez struggles to keep running. It was this attitude that earned him a trophy. (above)

Coach Carlos Vela coached these two teams to their great season. (above)

Joe Vasquez and Cipriano Lopez push and encourage each other to finish the race. (above)

Ericka Gutierrez tries to keep up with the leaders. Ericka earned three trophies. (left picture)





## BOYS TRACK: SPEED, POWER AND DEDICATION

The 1985-86 Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Boys Track Team had a tremendous season. The boys team had many stars this year. The main athlete was senior Charlie Trevino, a defending district champion. Also back were senior, Richard Escamilla, Robert Garza, Chris Rodriguez, and junior Hesiquio Lajeno. The track team opened up competition at the fourth annual Winter Relays in Weslaco. P.S.J.A. finished 3rd overall and sported the days only double winner in Trevino. Charlie won both the 800 Meter Dash, and the

Long Jump. Richard Escamilla, and Joel Jimenez battled it out for first in the 400 Meter dash with Escamilla coming out on top. The Bears next meet took place in McAllen at the 38th Annual McAllen Invitational Relays. The Bears faced 28 other top teams from across the state and P.S.J.A. did not do as well. The team finished 9th and only adding up 30 points. Trevino was fourth to finish the 800 Meter Dash. Chris Rodriguez was the only P.S.J.A. hurdler to finish in the top six. Chris finished fourth in the 300 Meter

Hurdles. Coaching the boys this year are: Coach Joe Suarez, Paulino Ramirez, David Rivera, and Juan Crosby. Coach Suarez and Rivera took care of the sprinters and long distance runners, Coach Ramirez trained the hurdlers, and Coach Crosby handled the shot and discus throwers. The Bears put in long hours after school and all of this work payed off as the Bears did very well in team and individual competition.



Members of the boys team are bottom l-r: Cleo Lopez, Joe Barbareno, Joe Jimenez, Oscar Vargas, Charlie Trevino, David Vasquez, Eddie Martinez, Jaime Mendoza, Cipriano Lopez, Freddy De Luna, 2nd from bottom l-r: Hesiquio Lajeno, Juan Rodriguez, Omar Castillo, Robert Meza, Joe

Garza, Chris Rodriguez, Raul Bracamontes, Vitto Puente, Gilbert Garza, Joe Estrada, Edgar Ortiz, Joel Jimenez, Top l-r: Isabel Flores, Danny Ledesma, Joe Ponce, Ruben Garcia, Fred Garcia, Richard Escamilla, Robert Garza, David Arcaute, Jerry Munoz, Sammy Borego, and Oton.



Coach Joe Suarez- Sprinters and Long Distance



Coach Paulino Ramirez- Hurdlers



Coach David Rivera- Sprinters and Long Distance





Sophomore Cleo Lopez attempts to clear 10', but is unsuccessful on his first attempt.



Hurdlers bottom 1-r: Robert Meza, Joe Barberana, top 1-r: Sammy Borego, Robert Garza, and Isabel Flores.



Pole Vaulters: 1-r: Raul Bracamontes, and Cleo Lopez.



Long Distance bottom 1-r: Cipriano Lopez, Jaime Mendoza, and Eddie Martinez, top 1-r: Hisiquio Lajeno, David Vasquez, Charlie Trevino, and Juan Rodriguez.



Shot and Discus bottom 1-r: Ruben Garcia, and Danny Ledesma, top 1-r: Joe Ponce, Fred Garcia, and Cruz Cardenas.



Mid-Distance 1-r: Joel Jimenez, Richard Escamilla, Charlie Trevino, and Oscar Vargas.



Sprinters 1-r: Joel Jimenez, Juan Lopez, Vitto Puente, and Oscar Vargas.



Coach Juan Crosby- Shot and Discus



Senior Charlie Trevino practices his long jump.



# GIRLS TRACK RUNS INTO ACTION



*Members of the Girls Track Team are bottom row l-r: M. Nebaurer, D. Botello, A. Hernandez, E. Chapa, and B. Cavazos. middle row l-r: I. Garza, S. Hernandez, B. Flores, N. Silva, O. Salinas, M. Caballero. top row l-r: D. Salinas, V. Garcia, and L. Cantu.*



*Junior Santa Hernandez shows intense concentration as she sprints toward the finish line.*



*Junior Belinda Flores speeds up after receiving the handoff.*





*Sprinters and Hurdlers- seated 1-4: S. Hernandez, V. Garcia, B. Cavasos, D. Botello, I. Garza, B. Flores, O. Salinas, A. Hernandez, N. Silva.*



*Junior Iris M. Garza smiles as she knows she has just made a good jump.*



*Hurdlers- bottom 1-r: S. Hernandez, and N. Silva*

Athletic, determined, and with positive attitudes, the Girls Track Team highly achieved their moments. The girls track team this year was composed of fourteen girls. Every day the girls gathered at the stadium and practiced usually until the evening hours. Seniors Letty Cantu, Viola Garcia, and Debbie Salinas controlled their power and competition to excell. Juniors Santa Hernandez, Belinda Flores, Pora Silva, and Iris Garza came out on top with much potential. The girls first practice meet was held Friday, February 14, which the girls came out with outstanding records. The dual meet consisted of McAllen Memorial, Harlingen, Pharr-SanJuan-Alamo, and Mission. But it was P.S.J.A. who came out on top of the list as the victors. All the girls won competition such as, 400 Meter Relay, 800 meter relay, and the hurdles. At the McAllen Invitational Relays the girls did not do as well as they only managed to capture 6th place, finishing with 44 total team points. Senior Viola Garcia was PSJA's only first place finisher. Viola won the 100 Meter Hurdles. She broke the tape in 16.06 seconds. Other individual winners for the Bears were Letty Cantu, Discus; Belinda Flores, Triple Jump; and Iris Garza, Long Jump. The relay teams also did well the 400 Meter Relay captured 4th, the 800 Meter finished 3rd, and the 1600 Meter Relay came in 5th. The Lady Bears did well overall and placed high at the district meet, Coach Carlos Vela was back again to coach the girls track team.



*Shot and Discus- Letty Cantu, and Debbie Salinas.*



*Long Distance 1-r: E. Chapa, M. Caballero, and M. Neubeaur.*



*Coach Carlos Vela trained the Girls Track Team.*





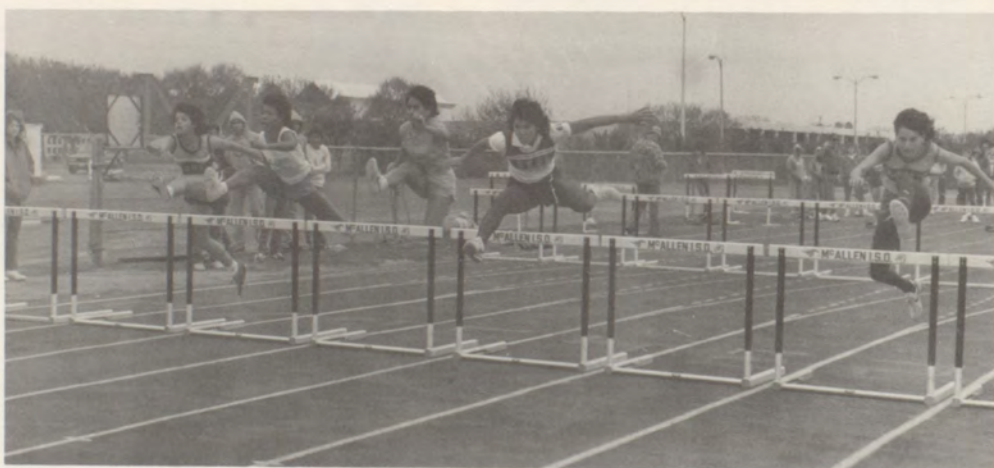
Sophomore David Arcaute practices his form. Although he did not place, it was his first meet of the season.



Junior Santa Hernandez competes in the Triple Jump.



Junior Olivia Salinas takes the early lead, while Sophomore Ana Hernandez struggles to stay in contention.



Senior Viola Garcia clears a hurdle on her way to a first place finish at the McAllen Relays.



Juniors Iris Garza, Nora Silva, and Belinda Flores warm up before their event.



# GIRLS J.V. GAVE IT THEIR BEST



Members of the Girls J.V. Team are l-r: Rosy Uvalle, Ana Hernandez, Maribel Palomo, and Diana Diaz. Standing l-r: Coach Almanza, Elvira Moreno, Elvira Lopez, Becky Cavasos, Myriam Silva, and Ofelia Medina.



Sophomore Myriam Silva attempts to make a basket during the Weslaco J.V. game.

The 1985-86 Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Team did not have the kind of season they would have liked, but it was still a season to brag about. Coach Guadalupe Almanza coached the team this year. The Junior Varsity team was made up mostly of Sophomores. The girls Junior Varsity played much like their older counterparts. The girls would play tremendous one game and the next they would not play up to their capabilities. Overall the girls had a good season.



Sophomore Ofelia Medina keeps her eyes on the basket while an unidentified opponent tries to distract her.



Sophomore Myriam Silva tries to keep the opposition from taking the ball down court.

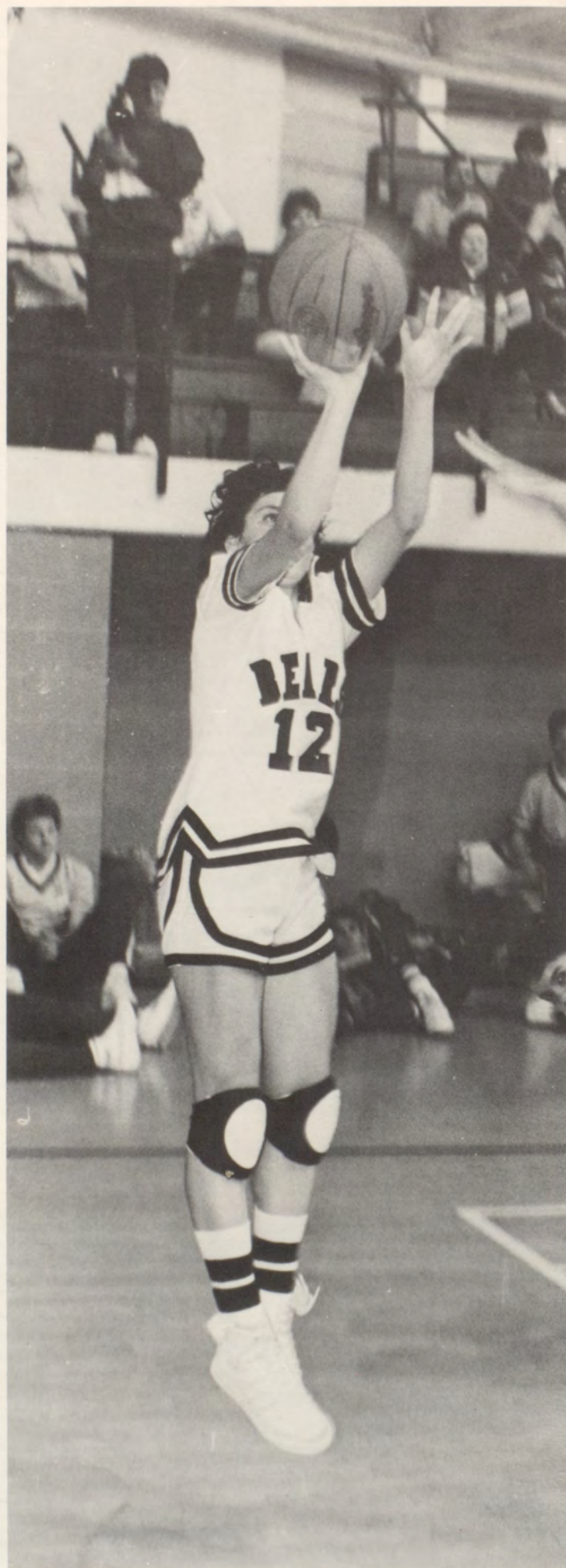




*Photo at Top- Senior Ester Cano takes a few warm up shots before a game.*

*Photo at Right- Junior Iris M. Garza shows her technique at shooting for two.*

*Photo Above- Senior Marty Garcia prepares to go to the air as Junior Belinda Flores looks on.*





# GIRLS VARSITY PROVIDES TOUGH COMPETITION

The 1985-86 Pharr- San Juan-Alamo Girls Varsity Basketball Team had a disappointing season. The Lady Bears compiled a record of 18-13, and 8-10 in district competition. Coach Robert Vela led a team made up of mostly seniors. Leading the team into action this past season were Seniors Ester Cano, Marty Garcia, and Junior Iris Garza. One of the Lady Bears games was very impressive this season. The game took place in Weslaco when the Lady Panthers played host to the Lady Bears. The Bears came out victorious 60-55 but not before

the game went into overtime. Ester Cano paced the Bears scoring attack with the game high 25 points. The game was forced into overtime when Weslaco made a crucial shot to knot it up at 53. The Lady Bears started a fifth period of three minutes when Ester Cano the first basket of overtime to give P.S.J.A. a lead they would never lose. The Bears closed the season at home against the Memorial Mustangs on Parents Night which was a disappointing loss. Three times the Lady Bears had a sixteen point lead but failed to hold it as Memorial came from

behind and outscored the Lady Bears 22-2 in the final stanza to walk away with a ten point win 52-62. These two games showed what kind of season the Lady Bears had, as one game they can be unbeatable while another game the girls could not pull off a win. For the girls, the determination to excell in basketball was great when they won the games. But during a loss of games the girls pulled themselves together with pride, because they are the Lady Bears.



Junior Belinda Flores attempts to squeeze between two memorial players.



Junior Iris Garza takes a shot against the Memorial Mustangs.



Standing l-r: Coach Robert Vela, Letty Cantu, Marty Garcia, Debbie Salinas, Veronica Salinas, Irlinda Ipin, Dina Carrizales, Iris Garza, Ester Cano, and Martina Hernandez.





Junior Hugo Mancillas goes to the air as a Harlingen Cardinal tries to block the shot.

## SCOREBOARD

TEAM	We	They
San Benito	47	77
Mission	74	64
Hanna	62	51
Edinburg	67	70
McAllen	61	43
Weslaco	36	41
Memorial	62	58
Porter	50	64
Harlingen	78	54
San Benito	51	48
Mission	34	14
Hanna	80	70
Edinburg	85	66
McAllen	58	59
Weslaco	55	63
Memorial	60	68
Porter	66	55
Harlingen	92	65



Senior Joe Moreno and Junior Abel Vasquez apply pressure to a Porter Cowboy as Junior Victor Vela looks on.



Junior Hugo Mancillas penetrates the McAllen Memorial Mustang defense. Despite the Bears effort the Mustangs defeated the Bears, 58-62.





Head Coach David Anders explains what has to be done as Hugo Mancillas and Andy Silva listen on.



Senior Joe Moreno gets set to take a free throw.



Members of the 1985-86 Boys Basketball team are l-r: Victor Heurtas mgr., David Quiroz, Abel Vasquez, David Bentancourt, Andy Silva, Edelmiro Zapata, Alejos De Leon, Arnold Gonzalez, Victor Vela, Joe Moreno, Hugo Macillas, and Coach David Anders.

## DISCIPLINE, DEFENSE, AND DEDICATION

The 1985-86 Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Boys Basketball Varsity Basketball Team went into action to defend the District 32-5A Title. But unfortunately, for the Bears, this task was impossible. The Bears had only 2 returning lettermen, Seniors Joe Moreno, and Andy Silva. The Bears had to depend on 6 young juniors to come in and help out. The major change was the change of the head coach. Former Head Coach Erasmo "MO" Molina left and Coach David Anders stepped in. All of the new faces they could not help the Bears as they finished with a 18-11 ledger, and 7-11 in district play. In non-district action the Bears went 12-1. The Bears won both the Edinburg and Roma tournament and finished second in the Weslaco Tournament. P.S.J.A.'s only district loss came to Weslaco in the championship game of the tournament. The Bears surprised many people with their exceptional non-district play, and as district action opened the Bears continued to dominate as the Bears defeated San Benito 72-

47. The game started to fizzle on the Bears as the Mission Eagles visited the Osodome and the Eagles gave the Bears their second loss of the season and their first district loss by a score of 64-74. The Bears remained winless until December, 28 when the Bears played host to the Edinburg Bobcats and a narrow 70-67 gave the Bears only their second district win. The Bears continued this pattern until January 31 when the Bears played host to the McAllen

Bulldogs. The Bulldogs eventually went on to finish second in district, but the Bears showed everyone that they could play ball. The visiting team had a height advantage and a 9 point half time lead, as the 'dogs lead 32-23. The Bears limited scoring ace Scott Uhlaender to 8 pts. all coming via the free throw line. The Bears rallied to catch the Bulldogs at the 3:27 mark 51-51 when Arnold Gonzalez hit a jump shot. The McAllen team led 53-56 with :40 seconds showing on the clock. Hugo Mancillas drove inside to tie the game with 28 seconds left. McHi had the ball with 18 seconds but lost the ball on a five second violation. Joe Moreno, finished with 20 pts., layed it up and was fouled in the process to complete a three pt. play. The Bears allowed McAllen to score and ran out the clock. The Bears closed out the season at home against the eventual District Champions Harlingen Cardinals. The Cardinals showed everyone why they were going to represent the district as the Bears were thrashed 92-65. Overall the Bears had a great season. Joe

*'Although our record was 18-11 it was a pretty good year . . .'*

Moreno had this to say about the season, "Although our record was 18-11 it was a pretty good year for the Bears. I felt it could have been better, cause everyone was depressed after the first loss." The valley coaches honored three P.S.J.A. players by selecting them to the All-District Teams. They were as follows: Joe Moerno, First Team All-District; Andy Silva, Second Team ACL-District; and Arnold Gonzalez, Honorable Mention



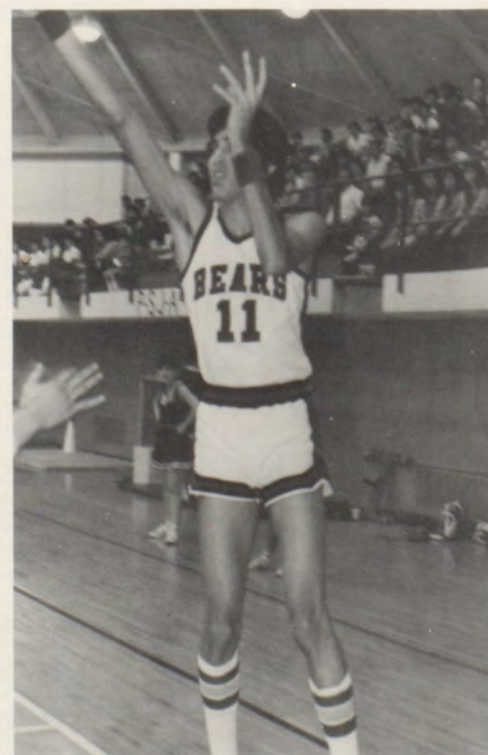


*Photo Above- Junior Hugo Mancillias shows his new style of passing the ball.*

*Photo at Right- David Quiroz, Abel Vasquez, and Andy Silva prepare to bring the ball back into play.*

*Photo Bottom Right Corner- Senior Andy Silva takes a shot from the corner.*

*Photo Below- Junior Abel Vasquez attempts to steal the ball from the opposition.*





# BOYS JUNIOR VARSITY HAS IMPRESSIVE SEASON



Junior Rudy Garcia goes up for an easy jump shot.



Sophomore Armando Fuentes attempts to block a shot as Junior Arthur Castor watches.

The 1985-86 Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Team had a impressive season. Once again Coach Dan Coplea led the J.V. The Junior Varsity compiled a record of 9-9- in district play. The Boys Junior Varsity ran up impressive wins against tough teams such as Mission 56-44, and Memorial 45-42. The Bears lost a heartbreaker to the Edinburg Bobcats in

Edinburg. The game went down to the final tick on the clock as a few errors cost the Bears the game. In the beginning it looked as though the Bears would be blownout, but the rugged Bears fought back and nearly pulled the game out, eventually losing by the score of 56-57. With a little work the Boys Junior Varsity team will be ready to help out at the varsity level, next year.



Coach Dan Coplea gives advice to the J.V. Team during the Edinburg game.



Junior Rudy Garcia watches the action going on inside.



# BASEBALL HITS A HOME RUN BEARS HAVE A GREAT SEASON



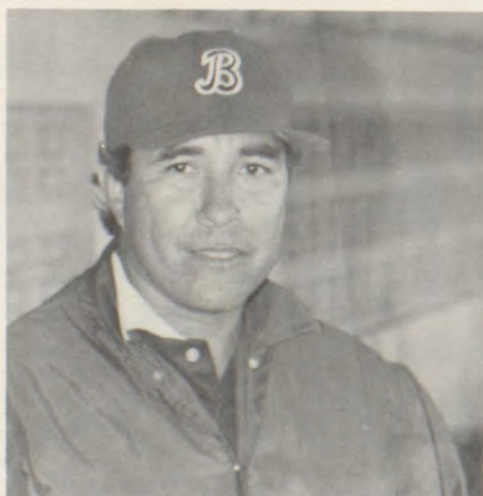
Members of the Varsity Baseball Team are bottom l-r: R. Cortes, J. Serda, M. Garcia, and J. Trevino. middle l-r: R. De La Garza, E. Acosta, E. Vela, H. Trevino, F. Villareal, R. Lizcano, D. Bentancour, G. Pallacios, and O.

Pena. top l-r: G. Garza, A. Puentes, A. Guajardo, S. Flores, V. Vela, R. Zamarripa, L. Gonzalez, M. Navarro, and mgr. T. Perez.

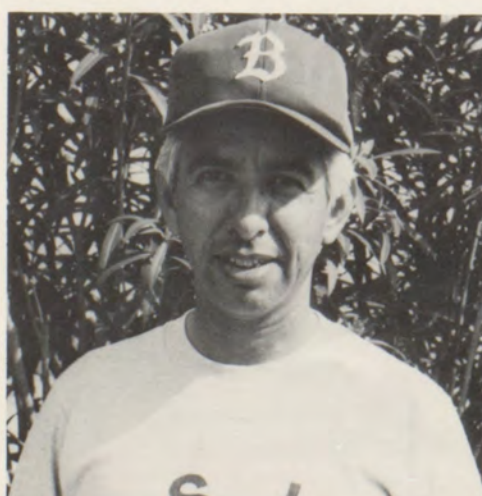


Members of the J.V. team are bottom l-r: R. Sanchez, V. Acosta, A. Fuentes, G. Salas, O. Navarro, G. Nava. middle l-r: N. Torres, J. Cama-

cho, M. Saldania, C. Zamarripa, and A. Carrilo. top l-r: C. Salazar, J. Rodriguez, A. Sandoval, J. Ramirez, and R. Lizcano.



Head Coach- Santiago Bazan



Asst. Coach- J. Serna



Asst. Coach- R. Vela



Propelled by the pitching of Junior David Betancourt and Senior Raul Zamarripa, and the talented bats of Seniors Emilio Vela and Fred Villarreal, the 1985-86 Varsity Baseball Team ran over the competition as they captured the first half of the season. The Bears opened the season by taking part in the Annual McAllen Invitational Baseball Tournament. The team finished in 2nd place after defeating Robstown, CC Miller, and McHigh but losing to Laredo Martin in the Championship game. The Bears opened the tourney against the State ranked Robstown Cotton Pickers and defeated them by a score of 4-2. CC Miller then challenged the Bears and once again the Bears were able to overcome their foes by a score of 7-4. This victory advanced PSJA into the semi-final game with McHigh. Rightfielder Emilio Vela cracked a three run homerun in the third inning to give the Bears a 4-3 lead, and after the seven innings were complete, PSJA had advanced into the final round with an 8-4 win. PSJA faced Laredo Martin in the finals. The Bears used a

double by Junior Steve Flores to bring in the brother combination of Victor and Emilio Vela to take a 2-0 advantage. But Laredo came back with three runs in the third inning and never looked back and PSJA settled for the runner-up spot. The final score was Laredo Martin 5, PSJA 3. Both Emilio and David were voted onto the All-Tournament team. The Bears then hosted a tournament of their own with four teams taking part. PSJA opened up action against Rio Grande City and the Bears skinned the Rattlers by a score of 11-1. The Mercedes Tigers attempted to stop the red hot Bears, but to no avail as once again the tenrun rule came into effect as PSJA advanced to the finals 10-0. In the finals, the Bears faced the Raymondville Bearkats, but once again the Bears used the ten run rule and the Bears won by a score of 14-4. Fred and David were named the tournament Co-MVPs. All in all the Bears had a very successful season which will not soon be forgotten.



Senior Luis Gonzalez follows through after releasing the ball before the Hanna game.



Junior Steve Flores stretches to catch the ball.



Junior David Betancourt gets ready to unleash a fireball.



# HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU... JUNIORS

Juniors were no longer the underclassmen, but were not quite at the top either. In other words they were in the middle of things, but at least their nightmare of being a Sophomore had finally come to an end! When Juniors came to school this year they were proud they had conquered the difficult task of being a Sophomore. This time they faced another problem, they found out they had to take an exit exam in order to receive a diploma at the end of their senior year.

This did not bother them so much because they knew they would get another opportunity to take it again if they failed the first time. Juniors also awaited anxiously for the Junior-Senior Prom because this was the first year they did the privilege of attending this dance.

That was not all the Juniors had on their minds. More important was the fact that in only one more year they themselves the class of 1987 would finally be at the top! Serving as Junior class Officers for the 1985-86 school year are as follows:  
President, Michelle Palacios, Vice-President, Homer Cantu, Secretary, Emma Ramos, Treasurer, Lori Hooks, and Reporter, Marissa Perez.

**DANNY SANCHEZ- JUNIOR EDITOR**







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Elizabeth Abad  
Orfelinda Abitua  
Letty Adame  
Constancia Aguirre  
Lucio Aguirre  
Javier Alanis  
Martha Alanis  
Nora Alanis



Selma Alarcon  
Juan Almanza  
Israel Almanzan  
Ramiro Almendarez  
Francisco Alonzo  
Angela Alvarado  
Michael Alvarez  
Rosanne Amaya



Agnete Antons  
Maria Aranda  
Richard Arevalo  
Maria Arispe  
Feliciano Arroyo  
Gabriel Avendano  
Fidel Baldazo  
Rogelio Balli



Veronica Balli  
Corina Barbee  
Blanca Baroccio  
David Barerra  
Michael Barerra  
Rogelio Barerra  
Rolando Barerra  
Yvette Barerra



Alicia Barrientez  
Rory Bauer  
Anna Benavidez  
Guadalupe Benavidez  
David Bentancourt  
Dave Blackwell  
Alvaro Blanco  
Yamidt Blanco



Olga Bravo



Ofelia Briones



Debbie Burciaga



Letty Burciaga



Kathy Jimenez frowns at a joke that an unidentified friend has just told her.



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Robert Burgess  
Charlie Caballero  
Juan Cabrera  
Letty Cabrera  
Hipolito Calacuayo  
Felix Camarillo  
Daniel Campos

Roel Campos  
Joe Cancino  
Belinda Cano  
Alice Cantu  
David Cantu  
Herlinda Cantu  
Homer Cantu  
Jose Cantu

Olinda Cantu  
Robert Cantu  
Zulema Cantu  
Cara Capt  
Dagoberto Cardenas  
Elizabeth Cardenas  
Annette Carlin  
Gloria Carlin

Idalia Carranza  
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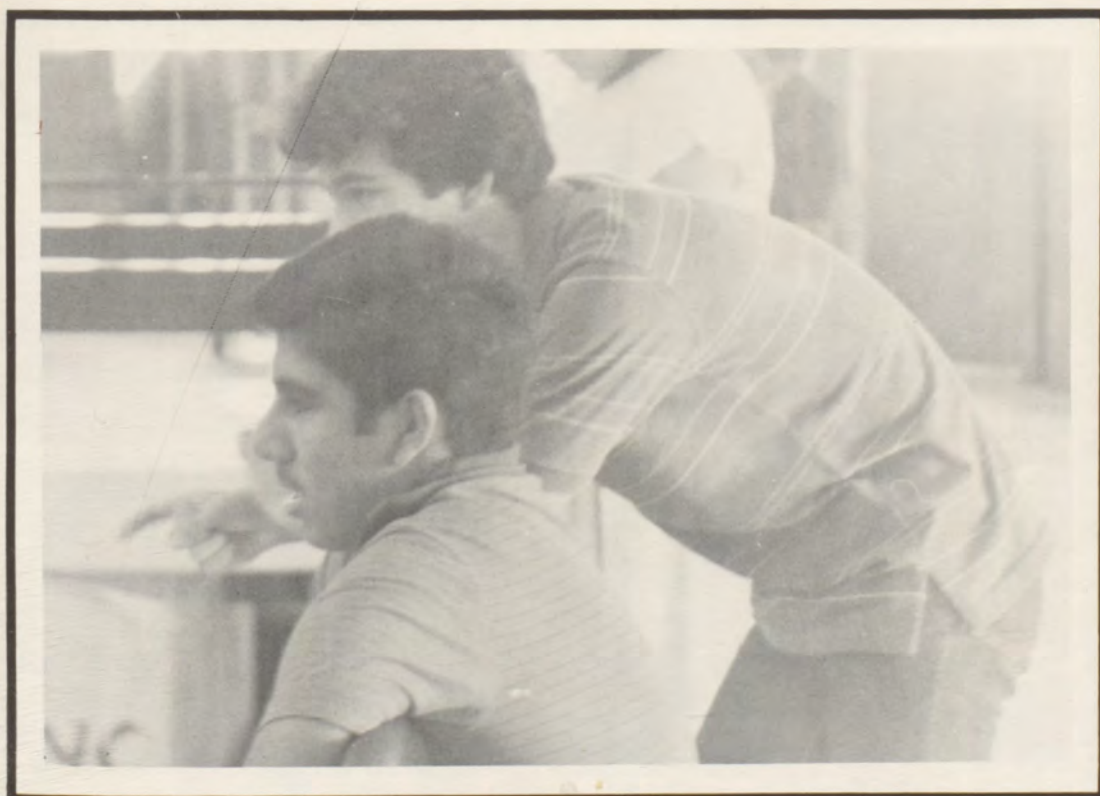
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Jose Castillo  
Lydia Castillo  
Maria Castillo  
Pablo Castillo  
Arthur Castor  
Alvaro Cavazos  
Martha Cavazos

Becky Cazares

Gerardo Cazares

Maria Cazares

Juan Cerda



Mark and Oscar await anxiously for the final pep rally of the football season to begin



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Sylvia Cerda  
Martin Champion  
Arturo Chapa  
Cynthia Chapa  
Noemi Chavarria  
Armando Chavez  
Marleen Cisneros  
Griselda Colmenares



Araceli Compean  
Lucy Contreras  
Maria Contreras  
Oscar Contreras  
Angelica Cordova  
Anna Coronado  
Pedro Coronado  
Fernando Corpus



Laura Cortez  
Sylvia Cortez  
Juanito Cruz  
Rosa Cruz  
Martin Cuevas  
Eva De LaBarrera  
Francisco De La Cerda  
Rodolfo De la Cerda



Sylvia De la Fuente  
Aracely Delgado  
Garcia De Leon  
Jesus DE Leon  
Leonor De Leon  
Alfredo De Luna  
Maria R. Diaz  
Julio Duenez



Michelle Echavarria  
Ernesto Elizalde  
Jose Enriquez  
Ismael Enriquez  
Marylou Enriquez  
Adan Escamilla  
Marianita Escamilla  
Esther Esquivel



Juana Esquivel



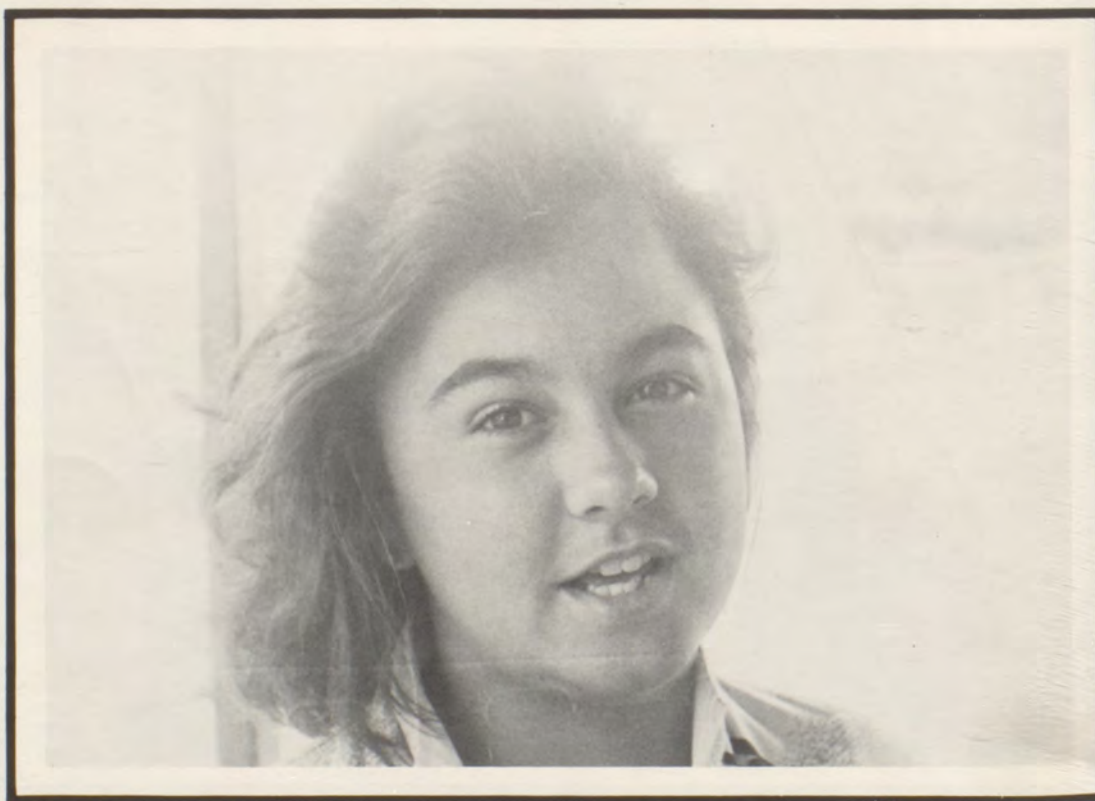
Jose Esparza



Reyes Espino



Norma Espinoza



Kim Fiala thinks about how fast the year went by, and in just a few months she will be a Senior!



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Kathy Jimenez and Michelle Navarro share a few laughs while they discuss their plans for the weekend.



Joel Estrada



Jose Estrada



Jose Estrada



Zeferino Farias

Kimberly Fiala  
Cass Fischer  
Edilberto Flores  
Esteban Flores  
Isidro Flores  
Jesse Flores  
Juan Flores  
Ricardo Flores

Melissa Flores  
Eric Fonseca  
Encarnacio Franco  
Adan Fuentes  
Jaime Fuentes  
Nelda Fuentes  
Yolanda Gallegos  
Francisco Galvan

Sylvia Galvan  
Genoveva Gamez  
Tomas Garces  
Adan Garcia  
Adriana Garcia  
Alfredo Garcia  
Claudia Garcia  
Cynthia Garcia

Danny Garcia  
Emilia Garcia  
Esmeralda Garcia  
Ina Garcia  
Jaime Garcia  
Joe Garcia  
Juan Garcia  
Judy Garcia

Leticia Garcia  
Mariam Garcia  
Maximo Garcia  
Norma Garcia  
Raquel Garcia  
Rodolfo Garcia  
Ricardo Garcia  
Rosa Garcia









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Irene Gonzalez  
Joanna Gonzalez  
Jesus Gonzalez  
Joel Gonzalez  
Jose Gonzalez  
Juan Gonzalez  
Juver Gonzalez  
Linda Gonzalez

Maricelda Gonzalez  
Mauricio Gonzalez  
Mirna Gonzalez  
Monica Gonzalez  
Orfila Gonzalez  
Paul Gonzalez  
Raul Gonzalez  
Rosalinda Gonzalez

Ruben Gonzalez  
Sylvia Gonzalez  
Yvonne Gonzalez  
Juan Gordiano

Jennifer Gore  
Cesar Goren  
Arturo Guajardo  
Eric Guajardo

Gustavo Guajardo  
Robert Guajardo  
Mario Guardiola  
Zelina Guardiola

Leticia Gurrola  
Alejandro Guerra  
Alicia Guerra  
Patricia Guerra

Cesar Gutierrez  
David Gutierrez  
Diana Gutierrez  
Omar Gutierrez

Maria Guzman  
Alfredo Hernandez  
Aracely Hernandez  
Felix Hernandez

Fidencio Hernandez  
Griselda Hernandez  
Hilda Hernandez  
Jaime Hernandez



Gibby Garza thinks about his stories that he has to write for Journalism class.



Ina seriously thinks about what her teacher said, while Jeff Mayes behind, daydreams.



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Maribel Hernandez



Myrna Hernandez



Santa Hernandez



Juniors Sonny, Rey, and Johnny listen attentively to one of Mr. Rodriguez's speech and he hasn't even said anything yet.

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Victor Hernandez  
Rigoberto Hinojosa  
Bonnie Hooks  
Maria Huertas  
Fidelia Hurtado  
Jacueline Infante  
Alejandro Jimenez  
David Jimenez



Joel Jimenez  
Jose Jimenez  
Kathryn Jimenez  
Mario Jimenez  
Jenifer Koliba  
Keith Kalkofen  
Jon Landeros  
Luis Landeros



Fabian Lara  
Raquel Lara  
Janie Lara  
Emeterio Leal  
Janoise Leal  
Maribel Leal  
Ramon Leal  
Erasmus Ledesma



Ernesto Ledesma  
Michael Leonard  
San Juanita Leyva  
Harold Licon  
Mario Lizcano  
Amy Lopez  
Blanca Lopez  
Blanca Lopez



Cipriano Lopez  
Delvina Lopez  
Edward Lopez  
Hilda Lopez  
Juan Lopez  
Lydia Lopez  
Mauricia Lopez  
Nadine Lopez





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*Junior Myrna Hernandez doesn't show much enthusiasm after Thursday's Pep Rally.*



*Cheerleader Marissa Perez stretches before a rowdy pep rally.*



Robert Lopez  
Rogelio Lopez  
Rogelio Lopez  
Sergio Lopez

Francisco Lozano  
Leticia Lozano  
Lorena Lozano  
Noemi Lozano

John Luna  
Magdalena Macias  
Leticia Mancha  
Hugo Mancias

Maria Manzanares  
Irene Mariscal  
Robert Mariscal  
Belinda Marinoff

Jose Maroquin  
Doroteo Martinez  
Gerardo Martinez  
Ismael Martinez  
Johnny Martinez  
Juan Martinez  
Luis Martinez  
Moises Martinez

Oscar Martinez  
Oscar Martinez  
Ricardo Martinez  
Ricardo Martinez

Rosalinda Martinez  
Rosalinda Martinez  
Teresa Martinez  
Yolanda Martinez

Emeterio Mata  
Veronica Matehuala  
Jeffrey Mayes  
Noemi McCullough

Thelma McDonald  
Joel Medina  
Amos Medellin  
David Medellin



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Debbie Olivarez  
Maggie Olivarez  
Roberto Olivarez  
Trinidad Olivarez  
Fidencio Orta  
Maureen Ortega  
Maria Ordeña  
Esmeralda Ortiz

America Pardon  
Greg Palacios  
Rudy Palacios  
Leticia Pecina  
Martin Pecina  
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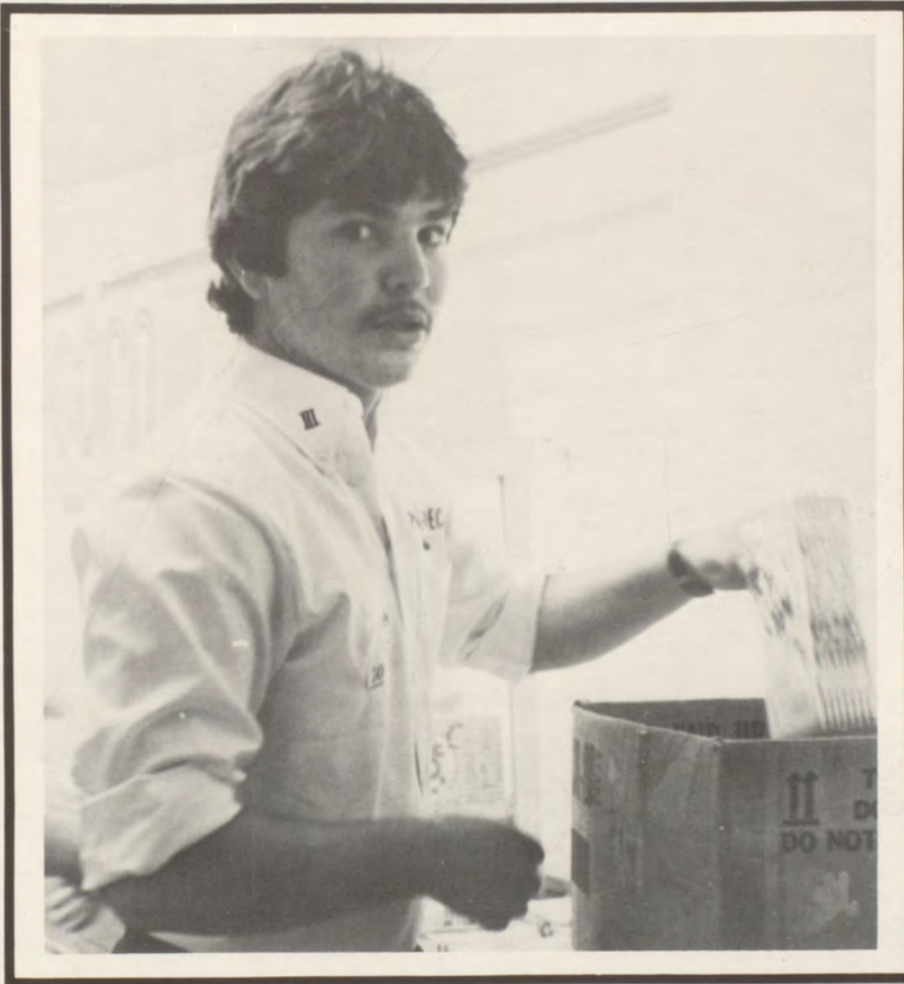
Dacia Perez  
Elizabeth Perez

Jerry Perez  
Juan Perez

Luis Perez  
Marissa Perez

Margil Perez  
Sonia Perez  
Mary Pineda  
Roel Pruneda  
Roy Puente  
Arnold Peuntes  
Lisa Puentes  
Ricardo Puentes

Vittorio Peuntes  
Delfina Puijada  
Leticia Quezada  
Juah Quiroz  
Angie Ramirez  
Dalia Ramirez  
Elizabeth Ramirez  
Ester Ramirez



Adam Escamilla working hard at the concession stand.







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George Rodriguez  
Isaias Rodriguez  
Jaime Rodriguez  
Johnny Rodriguez  
Juan Rodriguez  
Maria Rodriguez  
Martin Rodriguez  
Miguel Rodriguez

Miriam Rodriguez  
Olga Lydia Rodriguez  
Pilar Rodriguez  
Rodolfo Rodriguez  
Sandra Rodriguez  
Theresa Rodriguez  
San Juanita Rubio  
Luisa Ruiz

Leslie Rydl  
Fred Saenz  
Marcelo Saenz  
Pat Saenz  
Carlos Salazar  
Olivia Salazar  
Robert Salazar  
Sandra Salazar

Miguel Saldana  
Araceli Salinas  
Daniel Salinas  
Myrian Salinas  
Olga Salinas  
Raul Salinas  
Rene Salinas  
Veronica Salinas

Adriana Sanchez  
Claudia Sanchez  
Danny Sanchez  
Eduardo Sanchez  
Horaldo Sanchez  
Idalia Sanchez  
Martina Sanchez  
Nancy Sanchez



Joe Ramirez, David Barrera, and Johnny Martinez don't dare turn back to see Lori Hooks and Emma Ramos clown around.



Robert Sanchez  
Saul Sanchez  
Teresa Sanchez  
Velma Sanchez  
Armando Sandoval  
Xavier Sandoval  
Alfredo Santana  
Samantha Savala



Ofelia Sepulveda  
Javier Serda  
Juan Serna  
Ruben Serna  
Andrea Shawn  
Leticia Singleterry  
Ruben Singleterry  
Javier Sloss



Yvette Sloss  
Sandra Sloss  
Edward Smith  
Elsa Solis  
Xavier Solis  
Dolores Soto  
Gilbert Soto  
Patricia Soto



Sergio Soto  
Esmeralda Suarez  
Jaime Suarez  
Joseph Sweet  
Rachel Tanguma  
Norma Tienda  
Betty Tijerina  
Felix Torres



Jaime Torres  
Yvette Torres  
Sylvia Tovar  
Martha Trejo  
Audelia Trevino  
Eduardo Trevino  
Juan Trevino  
Leticia Trevino





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Nora Lee Trevino  
Richard Trevino  
Sairea Trevino  
Mario Trujillo  
Arturo Ulluo  
Amy Uribe  
Sandra Uribe  
Jose Valdez

Abel Vasquez  
Idalia Vega  
Maria Lisa Vega  
Pedro Villa  
Gonzalo Villagomez  
Victor Villagomez  
Yvonne Villagomez  
Jaime Villanueva

Dalia Villarreal  
Daniel Villarreal  
Danny Villarreal  
Librado Villarreal  
Thelma Villarreal  
Sonny Villarreal  
Milton West  
Daniel Yarrito

Jesus Yarrito  
Luis Ybarra  
Noemi Ysquirdo  
Amelia Zamora  
Robert Zamarripa  
Edelmiro Zapata  
Mark Zapata  
Erasmus Zavala



Gustavo Zuniga



Maritza Zuniga



Myra Zuniga



Paul Zuniga



Pete Zuniga



Lizzy Ramirez sits down with an injured ankle after a great halftime performance.



# HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU . . . SOPHOMORES

What is it like to be a Sophomore? Is it any fun? Sometimes, all the time, always? Believe it or not, the Sophomore class dominates PSJA High School by a long shot. Over 1300 students, all these Sophomores are truly one word, "Incredible". Sure, Seniors constantly put them down. Juniors, in turn do the same, but, the majority of the Sophomores don't even bother or pay any attention. Each Sophomore is truly unique. They have three more growing years here at PSJA with a lot of educational opportunities to absorb and face the crucial exit exam like the Junior class to graduate and earn a diploma. The Sophomore class is responsible for gearing up PSJA's exciting Valentine's Day Dance "The Belle and Beau", held on February 15th. This dance tells the story of the year, naming class favorites and a most prestigious title bestowed upon two Seniors, "Belle and Beau". What would PSJA do without Sophomores? We would be totally lost and meaningless. We love Sophomores simply because they are one in a million.







# SOPHOMORES

Aracely Abad  
Fidel Abad  
Abel Abad  
Edward Acosta  
Gustavo Acosta  
Victor Acosta  
Annette Y. Adkins  
Juanita Aguirre



Patricia Aguirre  
Carmela Alaniz  
Marina Alaniz  
Martha Alaniz  
Oscar Alaniz  
Maria Aldape  
Sam Alexander  
Gerald Almaguer



Roman Alonzo  
Ruth Alonzo  
Elizabeth Alvarado  
Francisca Alvarado  
Gina Alvarado  
Jaime Alvarado  
Mariana Alvarado  
Noe Alvarado



Two Sophomores laugh and joke around during Thursday's pep rally.

# SOPHOMORES

Norma Alvarado  
Clara Alvarez  
Genaro Alvarez  
Sandra Alvarez  
Rechael Anders  
Monica Anzaldua  
David Arcaute  
Elizabeth Arcia



Jose Ardo  
Yolanda Arellano  
Christina Arispe  
Ines Armijo  
Gloria Arredondo  
Manuel Arredondo  
Juan Arriaga  
Sergio Arriaga



Jesus Avalos  
Rene Avendano  
Ernesto Avila  
Maribel Avila  
Uvaldo Avila  
Joe Barberena  
Juan Barbosa  
Georgann Barker





# SOPHOMORES

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Edna Barrera  
Jose Barrera  
Rene Barrera  
Alfredo Barrios  
Joe Barrios  
Jose Barrios  
Iris Bartimus  
Maria Bautista

Leticia Bernal  
Christine Bermea  
Claudia Beltran  
Christina Beltran  
Belinda Benavidez  
Evelio Benavidez  
Rosario Benavidez  
Criselda Bernal

Carlos Blanco  
Diana Blanco  
Oscar Blanco  
John Blackwell  
Frank Booth  
Leonor Borrego  
Samuel Borrego  
Elvia Briones

Juan Bustos  
Maribel Bustos  
Ricio Bustos  
Estella Caballero  
Inez Cabrera  
Vicente Cabrera  
Karen Calderon  
Javier Camacho

Lee Camarillo  
Maria Camarillo  
Laura Campos  
Rene Cancino  
Dahlia Cano  
Herminda Cano  
Rene Cano  
Rita Cano

Adolfo Cantu  
Andres Cantu  
Aristeo Cantu  
Arnold Cantu  
Dennis Cantu  
Ernesto Cantu  
Guadalupe Cantu  
Leticia Cantu

Mario Cantu  
Marisela Cantu  
Norma Cantu  
Ruben Cantu  
Ninfa Capetillo  
Eduardo Cardenas  
Maria Cardona  
Raul Carlin

Esmeralda Carranza  
Alicia Carranza  
Christine Carrasco  
Cynthia Carrasco  
Alejandro Carrillo  
David Carrillo  
Irene Carillo  
Joe Carrillo

Juan Carrillo  
Juan Castaneda  
Alfredo Castillo  
Guadalupe Castillo  
Javier Castillo  
Maricella Castillo  
Oscar Castillo  
Ariel Castro



# SOPHOMORES

Carlos Cavazos  
Maribel Cavazos  
Mirna Cavazos  
Rebecca Cavazos  
Rosario Cavazos  
Carolina Cazares  
Miguel Cazares  
Veronica Cazares



Yvonne Champion  
Emma Chapa  
Jorge Z. Chavez  
Alba Cabos  
Maria Compean  
Eva Contreras  
Jaime Contreras  
Maria Contreras



Ricky Cordero  
Samuel Contreras  
Rosario A. Cordera  
Laura Corina  
Nicandro Caronado  
Claudia Corpus  
Aurora Cortez  
Carlos Cortez



Ricky Cortez  
Veronica Cortez  
Juan Davila  
Luz Davila  
Dora De Hoyos  
Mirta De Hoyos  
Gerald De La Cerda  
Alberto De La Cruz



Rosalinda De La Cruz  
Leonel De La Garza  
Bernis De La Garza  
Silvester De La Rosa  
Rosa De Leon  
Cindy De Los Santos  
Alicia De Valle  
Idalia De Leon



Javier De Leon  
Severo De Leon



Steve De Leon  
Diana Diaz



Hector Diaz  
Robert Diaz



Gilbert Duran  
Lorena Echeverria



Sophomores Penny Pena and Maxine Rendon smile lively at Homecoming Pep rally Friday October 18th. Maxine also celebrated her 16th birthday as well.



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Carlos Elizondo  
Oscar Elizondo  
Elizabeth Enriquez  
Jesus Enriquez  
Martina Enriquez  
Raul Enriquez  
Juan Escamilla  
Esmeralda Escobar

Sylvia Escobar  
Rudy Escobedo  
Jose Espinosa  
Juan Esqueda  
Noelia Esqueda  
Sandra Esqueda  
Mireya Esquivel  
Christina Estes

Claudia Estrada  
Jose Estrada  
Liza Estrada  
Maria Estrada  
Ricardo Estrada  
John Farris  
Michelle Farris  
Hilario Figueroa

Justin Fitch  
Abel Flores  
Elizandro Flores  
Frank Flores  
Ismael Flores  
Juan Flores  
Nor Flores  
Raul Flores

Rebeca Flores  
Roberto Flores  
Norma Fonseca  
Edwin Fowler  
Juan Franco  
Norma Franco  
Barbra Franta  
Maria Fuentes

Isidro Galindo  
Guadalupe Gallardo  
Noemi Galvan

Rocio Galvan  
Jesse Gamez  
Adam Gaona

Deanna Gaona  
Antonio Garcia  
Arnaufo Garcia

Criselda Garcia  
Edwardo Garcia  
Eliazar Garcia



Rigoberto Rosas and Dennis Cantu were the 1985-86 Bear managers.



# SOPHOMORES

Frances Garcia  
Horacio Garcia  
Jesus Garcia  
Jesus Garcia  
Jesus Garcia  
Jorge Garcia  
Jose Garcia  
Jose Garcia



Juan J. Garcia  
Juan Garcia  
Juan Garcia  
Juanita Garcia  
Juvelia Garcia  
Laura Garcia  
Laura R. Garcia  
Leticia Garcia



Lillibeth Garcia  
Liza Garcia  
Margaret Garcia  
Maria Garcia  
Miguel Garcia  
Nereida Garcia  
Pedro Garcia  
Ricardo Garcia



Ricardo Garcia  
Reyes Garcia  
Rigoberto Garcia  
Rosa Garcia



Ruben Garcia  
Sandra Garcia  
Sara Garcia  
Sara Garcia



Senette Garcia  
Sylvia Garcia  
Virginia Garcia  
Yomara Garcia



Rene Canzino and Javier Perez are proud to be two of the 1300 sophomores.



Abigail Garza  
Alberto Garza  
Diana Garza  
Edna Garza  
Elizabeth Garza  
Elsa Garza  
Gilbert Garza  
Gladys Garza



Horacio Garza  
John Garza  
Lisa Garza  
Maria Garza  
Maribel Garza  
Maritza Garza  
Melissa Garza  
Melissa Garza



Nelda Garza  
Norma Garza  
Rafael Garza  
Rebecca Garza  
Sandra Garza  
Sara Garza  
Salomon Garza







Lizzy Garza stands proud to be a Bearette during the victory parade at all of the football games.



Saul Garza  
Sam Gauna  
Adriana Gonzalez  
Blanca Gonzalez



Cesar Gonzalez  
David Gonzalez  
Dina Gonzalez  
Esmeralda Gonzalez



Johnny Gonzalez  
Juana Gonzalez  
Laura Gonzalez  
Marco Gonzalez



Maria Gonzalez  
Mary Gonzalez  
Max Gonzalez  
Ofelia Gonzalez



Ray Gonzalez  
Roy Gonzalez  
Sandra Gonzalez  
San Juana Gonzalez  
Teresita Gonzalez  
Adan Gomez  
Marco Gomez  
Martha Graciano



Abel Guajardo  
Adrian Guajardo  
Humberto O. Guajardo  
Maribel Guajardo  
Robert Guajardo  
Celeste Guerra  
Rebecca Guerra  
Ronnie Guerra



Dolores Guerrero  
Lizabeth Guerrero  
Damian Guevara  
David Gutierrez  
Erica Gutierrez  
Jorge Gutierrez  
Melissa Z. Gutierrez  
Roy Gutierrez



Enrique Guzman  
Jose Guzman  
Jose Guzman  
Daniel Hallock  
Jesus Handy  
Alma Hernandez  
Arecelia Hernandez  
Aracely Hernandez



Celia Z. Hernandez  
Corina Hernandez  
Cynthia Hernandez  
David Hernandez  
Eddie Hernandez  
Elizabeth Hernandez  
Erica Hernandez  
Federico Hernandez

# SOPHOMORES

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Fidel Hernandez  
Jesus Hernandez  
Magdalena Hernandez  
Maria Hernandez  
Mario Hernandez  
Marisol Hernandez  
Martin Hernandez



Martin Hernandez  
Michelle Hernandez  
Mike Hernandez  
Oscar Hernandez  
Pete Hernandez  
Pat Hernandez  
Becky Hernandez



Rodrigo Hernandez  
Sandra Hernandez  
Teodoro Hernandez  
Diana Hernandez  
Norma Herrera  
Alicia Hinojosa  
Alfonso Hinojosa  
Julie Hollingsworth



Anita Horn  
Beatrice Hornia  
Ignacio Huerta  
Maria Huerta  
Nora Huerta  
Everardo Jaimez  
Elizabeth Jasso  
George Juarez



Joe Juarez  
Maria Juarez  
Sonia Juarez



Robert Karam  
Humbert Karr  
Thomas Kornegay



Hesiquio Lajeno  
Mary Lara  
Hector Leal



Mary Leal  
Perla Leal  
Raul Leal



Sonia Leal  
Daniel Ledesma  
Sandra Leos



Osoette, Blanca Villalobos showing her BEAR spirit!



# SOPHOMORES

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Armando Lira  
Juan Lira  
Roy Lizcano  
John Llanas  
Anna Llanas  
Agapito Lopez  
Albert Lopez  
Andy Lopez

Diana Lopez  
Domingo Lopez  
Elvira Lopez  
Frank Lopez  
Javier Lopez  
Joe Lopez  
Jose Lopez  
Juan Lopez

Juan Lopez  
Rene Lopez  
Ricky Lopez  
Rocky Lopez  
Yvette Lopez  
Delmar Lopez  
Ubalde Lozano  
Veronica Lozano

Mary Lucio  
Ruben Luevano  
Andy Luna  
Beatrice Luna  
Diana Luna  
Frank Luna  
Johnny Luna  
Ofelia Magallan

Aide Maldonado  
Rafael Maldonado  
Abel Martinez  
Araceli Martinez  
Arnold Martinez  
Cindy Martinez  
Dagoberto Martinez  
Dina Martinez

Eliana Martinez  
Erindo Martinez  
Gila Martinez  
Isabel Martinez  
Jenny Martinez  
Lori Martinez  
Macrina Martinez  
Mary Martinez

Maria Martinez  
Mike Martinez  
Noe Martinez  
Pete Martinez  
Ramiro Martinez  
Ricky Martinez  
Romero Martinez  
Ruby Martinez

Sandra Martinez  
Janie Martinez  
Jose Mancha  
Pat Mancillas  
Diana Madrisal  
Teresa Mata  
Kelly Mayfield  
Sarah McNeil

Daniel Medellin  
Juanita Medellin  
Elias Medina  
Ramon Medina  
Reyna Medina  
Alex Mendoza  
Janie Medrano  
Flor Medrano



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Olga Mendez  
Carolyn Mendiola  
Arturo Mendoza  
Jose Mendoza  
Landelinda Mendoza  
Maria Mendoza  
Martha Mendoza  
Noe Mendoza



Rafael Mendoza  
Jesse Mireles  
Oscar Mireles  
Eliseo Mojeca  
Joe Molina  
Ricky Molina  
Rosalinda Molina  
Carlos Montano



Sophomores showing their pride at the Homecoming Pep Rally.

Alexander Montemayor  
Annabel Montez  
Sylvia Montez  
Juan Morales  
Pedro Morales  
Zuelma Morales  
Elvira Moreno  
Eric Moreno



Humberto Moreno  
Eduardo Morin  
Elizabeth Morin  
Hector Morin  
Lorena Morin  
Ruben Morin  
Ruben Morin  
Gerardo Muniz







Sandra Martinez at BEAR Stadium shouting out cheers during the San Benito Sophomore/J.V. game.



Bertha Munoz  
Cynthia Munoz  
Jerry Munoz  
Martha Munoz



Armando Nava  
Debra Nava  
Gregorio Nava  
Gina Navarro



Leticia Navarro  
Omar Navarro  
Mary Neubauer  
Juan Nieto



Norma Noyola  
Elias Olivarez  
Esther Olivarez  
Olivia Olivarez



Reynaldo Olvera  
Vicente Ordez  
Leo Ordonez  
Jose Orosco  
Cris Ortiz  
Edgar Ortiz  
Pat Ortiz  
Gilbert Ovalle



Maria Ovalle  
Pat Ovalle  
Guillermina Oviedo  
Jose Padillo  
Eddie Palacios  
Josefina Palacios  
Juan Palacios  
Linda Palacios



Jesse Palomo  
Marivel Palomo  
Nan Pedraza  
Hector Pena  
Jesse Pena  
Penny Pena  
Norma Pequeno  
Raul Pequeno



Barbara Peralez  
Eloy Peralez  
Ricky Peralez  
Aida Perez  
Carlos Perez  
Ernie Perez  
Frank Perez  
Javier Perez



Jorge Perez  
Lucio Perez  
Oscar Perez  
Joaquin Pina  
Fidel Pizano  
Mercedes Polanco  
Joe Ponce  
Ivonne Posz

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Ignacio Puente  
Adrian Quezada  
Efren Ramirez  
Emma Ramirez  
Erasmio Ramirez  
Jesus Ramirez  
Juan Ramirez  
Lazaro Ramirez



Martha Ramirez  
Monica Ramirez  
Norma Ramirez  
Norma Ramirez  
Olegario Ramirez  
Raul Ramirez  
Rene Ramirez  
Ricardo Ramirez



Rina Ramirez  
Rosalia Ramirez  
Virginia Ramirez  
Armando Ramos  
David Ramos  
Diana Ramos  
Eloy Ramos  
Miguel Ramos



Rene Ramos  
Ricardo Ramos  
Yvonne Ramos  
Norma Raymundo  
Maxine Rendon  
Melissa Renteria  
Sergio Renteria  
Olgaldiya Resendez



Elisa Reyes  
Enoc Reyes  
Evangelina Reyes  
Mario Reyes  
Mary Reyes  
Reynaldo Reyes  
Ruben Reyes  
Roel Reyes



Sonia Reyes  
Dora Reyna  
Eluterio Reyna  
Javier Reyna  
Jesus M. Rico  
John Rigney  
Maricelda Ricones  
Georgina Riogas



Nancy Rios  
Ruben Rios  
Israel Rivas  
Sandra Rivas  
Ruben Rivera  
Ilenda Rocha  
Guadalupe Rocio  
Alberto Rodriguez



Baudilio Rodriguez  
Beatrice Rodriguez  
Belinda Rodriguez  
Christina Rodriguez  
Diana Rodriguez  
Diana Rodriguez  
Eduardo Rodriguez  
Ester Rodriguez



Gloria Rodriguez  
Homer Rodriguez  
Izelda Rodriguez  
Javier Rodriguez  
Joann Rodriguez  
Juan Rodriguez  
Juan Rodriguez  
Leonel Rodriguez







Margarita Rodriguez  
 Maria Rodriguez  
 Maria Rodriguez  
 Maria Rodriguez  
 Marlinda Rodriguez  
 Martin Rodriguez  
 Mireida Rodriguez  
 Nicolas Rodriguez

Oscar Rodriguez  
 Placida Rodriguez  
 Rogelio Rodriguez  
 Sandra Rodriguez  
 Victor Rodriguez  
 Yolanda Rodriguez  
 Maria Romero  
 Alma Rosales

Alva Rosales  
 Domingo Rosales  
 Marisela Rosas  
 Rigoberto Rosas  
 Roland Rosales  
 Marina Ruiz  
 Sandra Ruiz  
 San Juanita Ruiz

Imilio Saenz  
 Hermil Saenz  
 Irma Saenz  
 David Salazar  
 Maria Salazar  
 Roberto Salazar  
 William Salazar  
 Paulette Salin

Anna Salinas  
 Brenda Salinas  
 John Salinas  
 Lisa Salinas  
 Lourdes Salinas  
 Patricia Salinas  
 Robert Salinas  
 Yadira Salinas

Ludi Saldana  
 Beatriz Sanchez  
 Claudia Sanchez  
 Evangelina Sanchez  
 Jorge Sanchez  
 Juan Sanchez  
 Lee Sanchez  
 Luz Sanchez

Marynell Sanchez  
 Norma Sanchez  
 Ricardo Sanchez  
 Rosa Sanchez  
 Sandra Sanchez  
 Tomas Sanchez  
 Dolly Sandoval  
 Fernando Sandoval

Jose Santillana  
 Sonia Santos  
 Maria Sarmiento  
 Alex Saucedo  
 Jaime Saucedo  
 Lorena Saucedo  
 Andy Schmitt  
 Robert Segovia

Basilia Sepulveda  
 Eva Serna  
 Silvia Sierra  
 Enrique Silva  
 Melissa Silva  
 Myriam Silva  
 Mary Singleterry  
 Dee Dee Skowron

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Deborah Sloss  
Jesse Solando  
Bertha Solis  
Jaime Solis  
Ricardo R. Solis  
Melissa Soto  
Rolando Soto  
Steven Stanely

Enedelia Suarez  
Berthe Tanguma  
Maria Tanguma  
Cesar Taylor  
David Thomas  
Dawn Thomas  
Anabel Tijerina  
Celene Tijerina

Bertha Torres  
Delia Torres  
Domingo Torres  
Jose Torres  
Mary Torres  
Maria Torres  
Sandra Torres  
Lisa Tovar

Sandra Tovar  
Arnulfo Trevino  
Aurelio Trevino  
Eliberto Trevino  
Lilia Trevino  
Mayra Trevino  
Patricia Trevino  
Abigail Trujilo



J.V. Cheerleaders, Belinda, Iris, and Sandra don't seem too thrilled at the hot, rainy Memorial game held October 19th. Mr. Castillo and Mrs. Lori Trevino try to keep dry and Pharr Press photographer Mr. Mata stands in the background.



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Sophomores Albert Garza, Johnny Villarreal, and Javier Rodriguez showing their spirit and support for the Bears by showing up to the Pep Rally held every Thursday.



Rachel Trevino  
Rosalinda Trevino  
Sandra Trevino  
Epifranio Ulloa  
Sunny Valle  
Maria Valero  
Leonardo Vargas  
Oscar Vargas

Frances Vasquez  
Irene Vasquez  
Israel Vasquez  
Maria Vasquez  
Seferino Vasquez  
Olga Vasquez  
Yvette Vecchio  
Cynthia Vega

Rolando Vega  
Gabino Vela  
Mario Vela  
Martina Vela  
Sergio Velasquez  
Arturo Vera  
Santos Vera  
Esteban Veytia

Guadalupe Villagomez  
Blanca Villalobos  
Maribel Villalobos  
Rachel Villalobos  
Hilda Villanueva  
Belinda Villarreal  
Guadalupe Villarreal  
Johnny Villarreal

Lydia Villarreal  
Santiago Villarreal  
David Watts  
George Watts  
Melissa Williams  
Eugene Ybanez  
Eduardo Ybarra  
Paula Ybarra

Cynthia Yoder  
Aurora Zamarron  
Pete Zapata  
Rene Zepeda  
Carrie Zlomke  
Edward Zuniga  
Gilbert Zuniga  
Lazaro Zuniga



# HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU... FAVORITES AND HONORS

Pharr-San Juan-Alamo has long had a very large number of organizations. In everyone of these organizations there are certain individuals that express their organization to the fullest and always being on top of things and making it to every meeting on time. Sometimes it isn't just the promoting that makes these individuals special but their overall personality and their attitude towards the other students on campus. It is necessary for every organization to have these certain individuals and for this the 1985-86 Bear Memories Class has honored them with a section entitled Favorites and Honors. Much time and decision making is needed to choose those individuals by their fellow constituents as well as their sponsors. But it is well worth the wait to be given the title of Favorite from any certain organization or an Honor for a title such as BelleBeau. The Favorites and Honors section is very prestigious. What yearbook wouldn't be without one. All these students who are selected are truly remarkable for their outstanding personality.

*JERRY JACKSON- FAVORITES AND HONORS EDITOR*









***SENIOR FAVORITES-***  
***HUGO HERNANDEZ AND RHONDA RAMIREZ***



## CLASS FAVORITES- PLACES IN THE HEART

Throughout the senior year, there are certain people that stand above all the rest. These people are the leaders of the senior class. This year, the senior class sat attentively and voted to see who would become the senior class favorites. After a long wait, the winners were announced at the Belle and Beau Dance where everyone waited anxiously. The winners for this year were **Rhonda Ramirez** and **Hugo Hernandez**. Hugo has received the title of favorite since his sophomore year, while Rhonda has received the title for the first time. Both Hugo and Rhonda have been involved in extra-curricular activities and have excelled in their academics. Being their senior year, this will be the last title that they will receive in their high school years. Rhonda's achievements include four years as a cheerleader and currently holds the leadership. She won the title of Miss Pharr 1985, and was selected as the 1986 Blue Jean Lamb Queen second runner-up. Hugo's accomplishments include a member of the football team for the past three years, elected class favorite during his sophomore year and nominated his junior year and he is currently DECA II Sweetheart. Congratulations on such a fine accomplishment and may you continue to excell in life and continue to be the favorites in everyone's eyes.





This year there was much class competition between the sophomores and the seniors, but for some reason or another the juniors were making a very little ruckuss. Instead of yelling and competing with other classes, the juniors were busy trying decide who would be junior favorites. This year the junior favorites came as no suprise since both were candidates for soph. favorites and one of them won. The junior favorites for the 1985-86 school year were **David Barrera and Ronnie Balli**. David has been actively involved in drama his freshman, sophomore and now his junior year. David has played many major roles as a soph. He played the lion in *The Wizard of Oz* and as a junior, David played Willy Wonka in *'Willy Wonka and The Chocolate Factory'*. David was also a member of the school newspaper-*The Bear's Tale*. Ronnie was awarded sophomore favorite and was assistant drum major her sophomore year. Ronnie is still actively a member of the Bear Band, The Hidalgo Cotillion Club, and was first runner up in the 1985-86 Miss Alamo Pageant.



**JUNIOR FAVORITES-**  
**DAVID BARRERA AND RONNIE BALLI**



The Sophomore class of PSJA High School is the largest, totaling over 1000. And out of all, only two students are chosen as favorites. Candidates for this prestigious title numbered six boys and six girls. These students were chosen as sophomore favorites. But like every year, only one boy and one girl can be honored and chosen. This year **Bobby Ramirez** and **Dina Gonzalez** were elected. Both are involved tremendously in school extracurricular activities. Bobby is presently involved in football and track, and was also named JV cheerleader Beau, Dina, on the other hand, is JV lead cheerleader and was named 1986 Vegetable Queen. During Dina's freshman year, she was cheerleader and football sweetheart. She was also involved in drama and was president of FTA. Although it is just their sophomore year, both Bobby and Dina definitely enjoy their school years, mainly because they are quite active, participate in extracurricular activities, and are committed. Their friendship is highly accepted by their peers.



**SOPHOMORE FAVORITES-**  
**BOBBY RAMIREZ AND DINA GONZALEZ**



We've all heard the old tune that goes "reading and writing and arithmetic taught to the tune of a hickory stick." Well who's behind that hickory stick if it isn't the teacher. All year long as the students are going in and out of classes you hear them say, "This teacher is cool," or else you hear them say, "This teacher is one rotten apple." Well the students get to show their appreciation to these teachers they think are awesome by nominating them as Favorite Teachers. This year the race was as close as usual, but at last, the winner's were chosen. Along the halls you could hear the whispers of, "I wish it was . . . ." or "I hope . . . got it she deserves it." And at last at the Belle and Beau Dance, the winners were announced. Even though it came as no shock to the students who got it, since these two teachers were well deserving of this honor. The teachers were Coach D. Rivera and Miss A. Lopez. Coach Rivera is a football coach who has many surnames such as Defensive Back Field, Defensive Coordinator as well as a Track Coach. He even teaches health. Coach Rivera is definitely dedicated to this profession. After graduating from high school with high honors and from Monterrey Tech, we are proud to have such a fine man and staff, and students are pleased to have him as their teacher. Miss A. Lopez, on the other hand just recently entered the teaching profession after being a Sales Manager at the Pharr Press. Miss. Lopez holds many titles such as the new sponsor for Pan American Student Forum (P.A.S.F.) and for the International Students Association, at Pan American University. She is presently teaching World and Texas History and is a member of the team for Solvent Abuse Foundation of Education. Congratulations to these two fine teachers that give P-SJ-A the right to have Pride and Power in their teacher's much devotion towards the teaching profession.



**FAVORITE TEACHERS-  
COACH D. RIVERA AND MISS A. LOPEZ**



# CLUB SWEETHEARTS AND BEAU'S



*FCA-Letty Cantu and Debbie Salinas*

Around campus there are a numerous amounts of clubs. Each club has its own specific set of rules to follow and every member sees to it that these rules are carried out. Well out of all these members, there are certain members who are the leaders of these fine organizations. It is these students who innovate fine ideas to get these clubs working at a fine rate and it is these students who are honored as Club favorites. These Club Favorites are chosen by their fellow constituents who not only look for the most popular, but the one who does the most work in and out of their club and hats not only for the club but for its members.



*Bear's Tale-Gibby Garza, Rey Rivera, Norma Vela, Yvette Thornburg*



*Honeybear 1985-86-Amy Culbertson*



*Band-Eliseo Bernal and Melissa Rivera*



*OEA-Minerva De La Cruz and Idalia Perez*





*Mr. and Miss Bearette-Chuck Cortez and Melida Revna*

*Bear Memories-Sonny Villarreal and Jackie Sanders*



*CVAE Coop-Bonifacio Salinas and Norma Cantu*



*JROTC-Adalberto Carranza and Sonia Villarreal*



*ICT-Benito Vega and Maria del Carmen Reyes*





*French Club-Mark Gonzalez and Adriana Pesina*



*J.V. Choir-Cindy Chapa*



*T.V. Productions-Adam Singeltery, Angelica De La Cruz*



*F.F.A.-Soph.-Cindy Munoz and Sr.-Blanca Reyes*

*Student Council-Trinidad Medina*







*VOE-Chris Hernandez*

*Deca II-Ruben Duran and Becky Gonzalez*



*Miss Osoette-Dollie Lopez*

*O.E.A.-Clara Alvarez and Yolanda Hinojosa*



*F.H.A.-Judy Perez*

*Deca II-Hugo Hernandez and Becky Garza*







# OUTSTANDING

B-District 5A All-District Football players from PSJA High include, from left, Mario Guajardo, Harry Vargas, Defensive Second Team; Ben Garza, Offensive First Team; Alejos De Leon, Fred Garcia, Offensive Second Team; Cruz Cardenas, Offensive Honorable Mention; David Guajardo, Defensive Second Team; and Charlie Trevino Offensive Second Team. Not shown is Vitto Puente, Offensive First Team, and Amos Hernandez, Defensive Honorable Mention.

# FOOTBALL

Top Honors at the PSJA Quarterback Club Banquet went to, from left, Raul Alaniz and Robert A. Garza, Golden Helmet Award for performance above and beyond the call of duty; Fred Garcia, Offensive Player of the Year; Mario Guajardo, Defensive Player of the Year; and Alejos De Leon, Most Valuable Player. Not shown is Omar Benitez, recipient of the Mario Romero Award.



# PLAYERS

Recognized as outstanding Players last Thursday at the PSJA Quarterback Club Banquet were, from left, Ben Garza, Outstanding Offensive Lineman; Luis Gonzalez, Outstanding Offensive Back; David Guajardo, Outstanding Defensive Back; and Charlie Trevino and Johnny Moncivais, Outstanding Special Teams. Not Shown are Harry Vargas and Amos Hernandez, Outstanding Offensive Linemen.

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# BELLE AND BEAU, SENIOR, JUNIOR



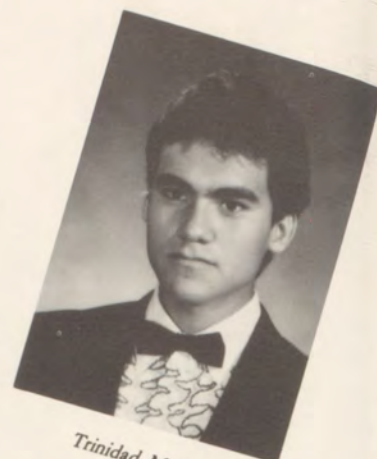
Natividad Sandoval



Gracie Gonzalez



Anabelle Salinas



Trinidad Medina



Becky Gonzalez



Robert Garza



Aida Palomo



Homer Cantu



Andrea Shawn



Vitto Puente



Mari Zuniga

Belle and Beau. Senior, and Junior favorite candidates are extraordinary people too. Even though these candidates did not receive this prestigious title, they are special in their extracurricular activities. The following students have excelled in school: Becky was nominated Belle candidate.

She was also nominated for Homecoming Queen. Becky was honored as Rotary Club girl for October, while Natividad, was junior class favorite and Beau candidate, Annabelle, was homecoming Queen as second runner, Belle candidate and DECA Sweetheart. Gracie is a yearbook staff member, VOE Treasurer, and Osoette first lieutenant. Trino, is in Student Council, NHS, Student of the Month, and is the Spanish Club President. Aida is a *Bear's Tale* reporter.

Belle, Homecoming Queen, and Senior Class favorite candidate, and was three years as a cheerleader. Robert, was Student of the Month, NHS, football, and Beau candidate. Mariza, was second runner up in Miss Pharr pageant, junior favorite candidate, and is in the Bear Band. Vitto is in football, junior favorite candidate, in track, and was in the children's production of *Willy Wonka*. Emma was also in the children's production of *Willy Wonka*, in NHS and is a Thespian officer. Homer, is a junior class officer in NHS, and a Mu Alpha Theta member. Andrea, is a cheerleader and one of the junior class favorite candidate. Not pictured were Senior Fred Garcia and Janie Escobar.



Emma Ramos



# SOPHOMORE, AND TEACHER FAVORITE CANDIDATES



Iris Bartimus



Melissa Garza



Edna Barrera



Rina Ramirez



David Arcaute



Flor Medrano



Steven Stanley



Mr. H. Sandoval



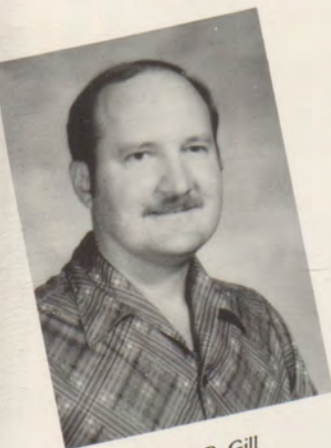
Mrs. S. Saulsbury



Mrs. B. Laurel



Mr. R. Flores



Mr. P. Gill



Mr. E. Ballew

We can't leave out the sophomores or the teacher favorites as well. They also deserve recognition and even though they didn't earn the titles, these candidates are also special to many students. To begin with, Iris, is a JV Cheerleader and is involved in student council. Melissa, is a sophomore Bearette member, while Edna is involved in basketball and volleyball. Rina is also a JV Cheerleader and a Student Council member. David, a sophomore, is a track buff, was in football, and an active athlete. Flor, is a JV Cheerleader and is involved in Student Council, while Steven is involved dramatically. Along with favorite sophomore candidates are the teacher candidates. To begin with, Hector Sandoval who has received as favorite teacher candidate for the past two years, teaches Biology. Mrs. Saulsbury teaches trigonometry and is the sponsor of Mu Alpha Theta. Mrs. B. Laurel is new to PSJA High School and teaches sociology, and history. Mr. Flores, on the other hand, has been here for quite a few years and he teaches government and history. Mr. Gill, who has been here 17 years is a physics and a calculus teacher. Mr. Gill is also a co-sponsor of MAO. While Mr. Ballew who has been here for over twenty-five years, teaches Texas History, Government, and Economics. Mr. Ballew is the sponsor of the National Honor Society. Sophomore and teacher candidates that were not pictured are: Jose Barbanea, Arty Cantu, and Oscar Vargas. All are football players and track stars. Teachers not pictured are; Miss H. D'Shazo and Mrs. K. Reynolds both English teachers, while Mr. J. Reyna is a history teacher.





*BELLE AND BEAU*  
*FRED VILLARREAL AND IRIS GARZA*





Every year as tradition has it, on or around Valentine's Day, there is a dance where a special senior boy and girl are chosen to be Belle and Beau. This year, after a long decision making process, there was an announcement put forth at the annual PSJA High School Belle and Beau Dance. Fred Villarreal and Iris Garza were named as Belle and Beau for 1986. Both Fred and Iris have achieved numerous accomplishments during their three years here at PSJA High School. Both are academically involved as well as athletic. Fred presently holds the office of Editor-In-Chief of the 1985-86 Bear Memories Yearbook. Fred has also been involved in baseball all three years in high school as well. Iris Garza is currently a cheerleader. Iris was a Bearette her Sophomore and Junior year and held the title of First Lieutenant. Iris has also been chosen as Rotary Girl for the month of March and Fred was Rotary Boy for the month of December. Iris and Fred have been very popular during their high school years and are well deserved of this prestigious honor. Fred has received the honor of being in Who's Who in Journalism and Who's Who Among American High School Students. Fred also holds the office of Secretary of the National Honor Society. Iris Garza also received the honor of Who's Who Among American High School Students. Iris is also a second year member of the National Honor Society. Both of these students truly deserve the title they received, for their accomplishments surely show it. Congratulations on such a fine accomplishment.





# ROTARY COUPLES OF THE YEAR 1985-86

The Rotary Club-, an organization of businesses of the community, that choose a couple every month to represent them as Rotary Couples. These couples are then honored at a luncheon. These couples are presented a plaque with the 4-way test. The 4-way test contains in reality four questions which are: Truth, fair to all concerned, will they build goodwill and better friendship,

will they be beneficial to all concerned? These are the things that the rotary boys and girls will think, say, and do. The Rotary Couples are tested by Mr. Richard Light, Assistant Superintendent and rotarian, which then are eligible to receive a Rotary Scholarship of \$500.00. These students are also recognized for their leadership and ability to search for a new tomorrow. Congratulations

on this fine honor and may you continue to follow this righteous path which is leading you to become the leaders of our community. A special thanks goes out to the parents of these students, for without their support and concern these students would not have gotten far in life. And a thank you to the teachers who chose these students as well.



September-Trinidad Medina and Letty Cantu



October-Robert A. Garza and Becky Gonzalez



November-Robert Garza and Sandra Gutierrez



December-Fred Villarreal and Yvonne Herrera





*At Left -February-  
Russell Beamsley  
and Lisa Cantu. At  
Right- May-Mario  
Guajardo and Nancy  
Gonzalez.*



*Above-March-Mario Alaniz and Iris Garza. Middle  
Right-April-Andres Silva and Maria Lourdes Valdez.  
At Right-January-Ruben Gonzalez and Alicia Estes.*



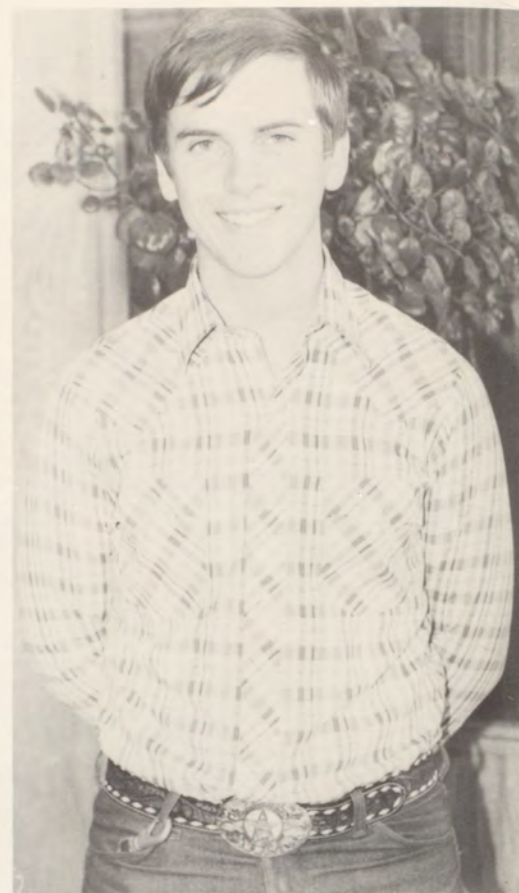


# STUDENTS OF THE MONTH 1985-86



February-Christy Ramos

Students of the Month are definitely the cream of the crop. Every month certain students are known for their excellent work. These students are rewarded by giving them the title of Students of the Month. Once these students are given this title, these students can use it as a reference to enter college or for scholarships. These students are chosen for their ability to succeed in every possible form. It is also based on their dependability and effort. These students have been evaluated since their sophomore year and are definitely worthy of this honor. Congratulations on this fine award and may you continue to excel in your life. These students will definitely become the leaders of tomorrow.



March-Russell Beamsley



April-Lisa Cantu



December-Felipa Sanchez



May-Sandra Gutierrez



# STUDENTS OF THE MONTH 1985-86



September-Robert A. Garza

*"Education is a comparison which no misfortune can decrease, no crime destroy, no enemy alienate, no depotism enslave; at home a friend abroad an introduction in solitude a solace, in society an ornament. It chastens vice, guides virtue, and gives grace and government to genius. Education may cost financial sacrifice and mental pain, but in both money and life values it will repay every cost one hundred fold."-  
The Apples of Gold*



October-Trino Medina



November-Maria De Lourdez Valdez



December-Nancy Gonzalez



January-Robert Garza





*Drama Favorite-Eddie Guerra*



*Building Trades- Favorite-Eveline Ovalle*



*Basketball Sweethearts-from left to right-Flor Medrano, Belinda Villareal, Iris Bartimus, Rina Ramirez*



*Cheerleader Favorite-Coach Shawhan*



*History Club Favorite-Joe Cano and Rosie Flores*





*Auto Mechanic Favorites-Ricardo Torres and Jesus Lopez*



*Student Council Favorites-Becky Gonzalez and Trino Medina*

## ***BOY AND GIRL STATE DELEGATES OF 1985***



*Jerry Jackson*



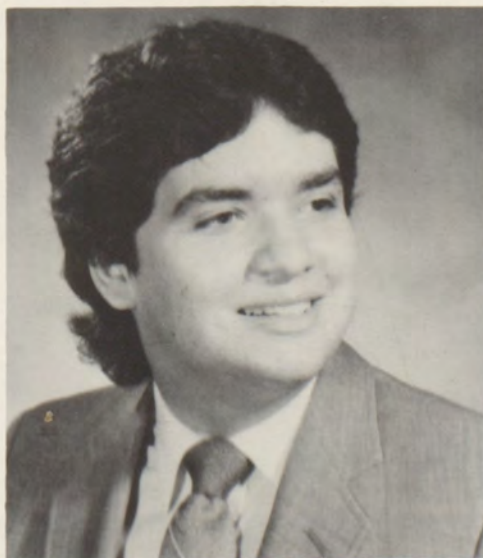
*Alicia Estes*



*Trino Medina*



*Mark Gonzalez*



*Mario Alaniz*



*Efrain De La Fuente*



# HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU... ADVERTISERS

Yearbooks will have great sentimental value as the years pass, and one of the most important sections is the advertisers now some of the production of Bear Memories would not be possible. Year after year the growing business community of Pharr-San Juan-Alamo shows it. With the support of PSJA, these business firms aid tremendously. By selling advertisement most of the money that is collected is used to finance the yearbook. Help was received from many different types of businesses. The yearbook received much needed support from all the merchants and business men of Pharr-San Juan-Alamo.

Why do these business firms advertise in our yearbook? It is not only for support or just to advertise, the merchants who's pride is in their line of business, helps the student out in their needs. All those merchants that advertise in the yearbook also acknowledge their profession. So as years go by, the business firms simply become outstanding benefactors because they advertise on one of the outstanding student production that is printed.

**JUAN PACHECO- ADVERTISEMENT EDITOR**







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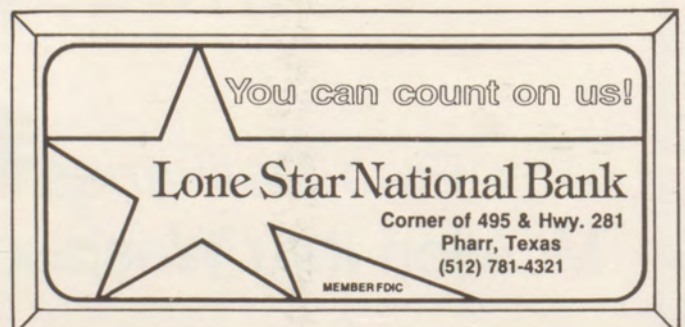
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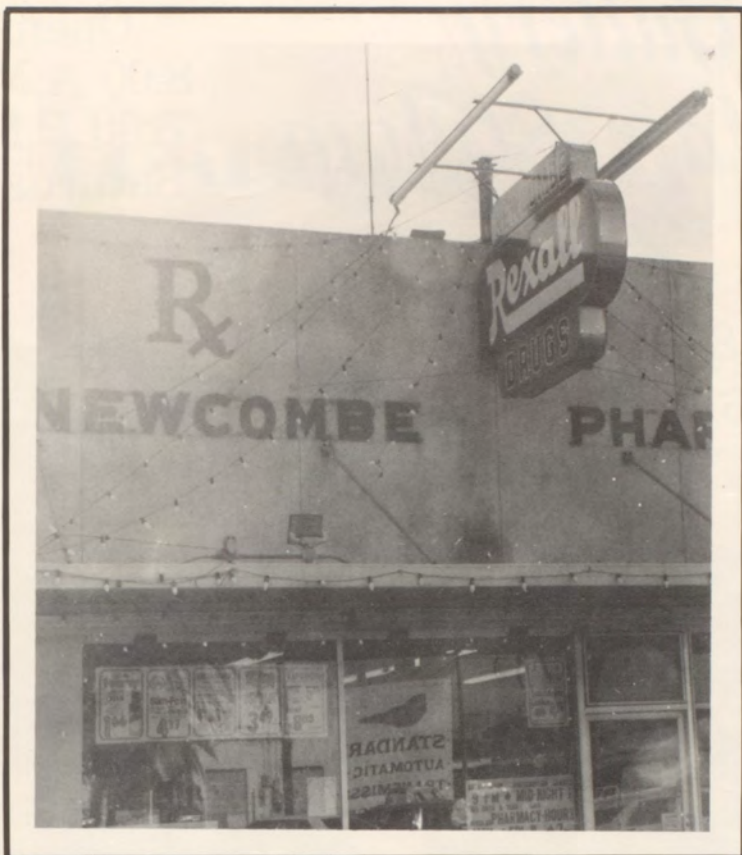
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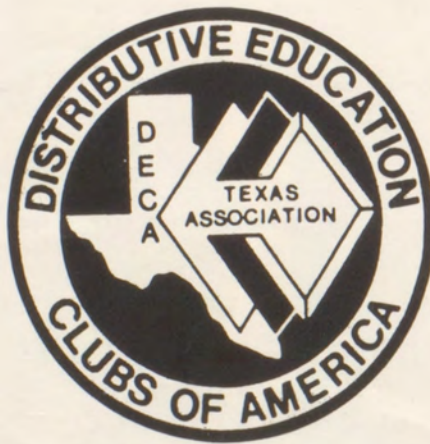
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## CYN-DEE CASTILLO



*O God you made this holy night shine with the brightness of new light. Bless this tree we adorn with lights to honor him who comes to enlighten us. Let us see in this tree your beautiful simplicity and humble strength. Let this tree remind us of our responsibility for the care of the earth.*

*Cyn-dee Castillo*

Tragedy, disbelief, and sorrow came over the Christmas holidays when Senior Cyn-dee Castillo, 18 was killed in an automobile accident December 23, 1985. Cyn-dee was a member of the Bearettes during her sophomore and junior years. In her junior year, Cyn-dee was named as one of the Bearettes of the week during football season. At the start of her senior year, she

held the position as 4th Captain for the Bearettes. Besides being an active participant in clubs, she was also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Just before the Christmas holidays, Cyn-dee wrote a prayer when decorating her home. The prayer was found in her Bible. During the funeral mass at St. Margaaret Church, Reverend A. Guevarra officiated

the prayer. Above is the prayer she wrote and was printed with permission by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Castillo. Cyn-dee was taken away from this earth and lived 18 glorious years, but her memories that family, especially friends shared with her, will never fade. She was loved by many and will be missed deeply by everyone who knew her.



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As Editor-In-Chief of the 1985-86 Bear Memories yearbook, I feel that I not only learned more about myself, but a whole lot more about working with others. I guess you could say we had our good times and our bad times. There were times when we couldn't stand each other, and times when we couldn't be without each other. Through it all, "We Kept Our Poise." I really enjoyed this year's staff and only hope that Mr. Rodriguez has this type of staff throughout his long teaching career. While on the subject, I wish next year's editor (whoever it may be) as much luck as he needs and hope that his reign is as great as mine was. I leave but only one piece of advice: Be a staff member as well as an Editor! I really appreciate all the help I got from my fellow staff members and even though I didn't show it very much, I'm very grateful. I'd really like to thank our advisor, Mr. A. Rodriguez. Even though we didn't always see eye to eye, I really don't think I could have gotten anywhere without his lectures and pats on the back. Thanks Again! The job of a yearbook staff is to provide others with memories. Well if by chance we didn't do it with the book itself, we at least have many memories to remember each other by. We were like one big, happy family. We had to be. If we weren't, we would have killed each other. Especially Mr. Rod. "We did have some good times." I would also like to thank all the photographers who contributed pictures to our yearbook. And a special thanks to all the organizations who helped out throughout the year. It was a long, grueling year, and I hope we provided memories for everyone with our yearbook.

I can't believe we are graduating Seniors. Seems like only yesterday the guys in school were going through seasons of playing with marbles, tops, and football cards. I guess it is true what they say "Time flies when your having fun.". Now-a-days we go through seasons of playing football, basketball, and baseball. Fun is what we have had. Since we were in elementary. We learned to live with each other at our schools. In a matter of days we must learn to live without John, Russell, Roland, Robert, Yvette, Gaston, and countless of other friends who we have learned to live with. As we go through life we must learn to accept new friends and keep them. I'd like to thank all those friends I managed to keep through my school years. First of all, Herman the hoser Mendez thanks Billy Bob for letting me play football in your yard. Ramiro the hoser Suarez thanks for taking me cruising on tenth. I still owe you a six pack. To Olga M. thanks for all the great times. To Ana P. thanks for all your advice, I might give you some in return. To Fred V. thanks for not getting on my case because of pages. To Jon L. thanks for being there through all my "lucky" times, I don't run out of luck. To my Journalism class I'd like to say that it was a great year for me too. Thanks everybody for all the great times. (Those of you who are reading this and wondering "this ain't me" well it is.) I'd also like to thank a very very special person who made me understand life. GRACIE, thanks for showing me what caring really is. I'd also like to thank Mr. Rodriguez who let me write this, even though I probably didn't deserve it. Thanks Rod I love you (like a brother). Also I'd like to say "I love you" to all my family. Thanks for Mrs. Cantu for letting me be the Bear Mascot twice. I enjoyed it. And for everybody who was part of the class of 86, I only say "this Bud's for you." Take care everybody.

When time catches up with what we once called the future, and we find ourselves wondering, sometimes doubting, whether we have learned the most from our school years to prepare ourselves to excel in the race for social advancement and financial stability, it's hard not to want to turn back to relive those happy times that brought so many warm feelings and memorable moments to our high school years. Those times when we would spend most of our time with friends and got a genuine feeling of joy from their accomplishments. When we were confident that nothing could get in our path to derail our security and dreams. Times that seem like a fantasy when compared to what we are beginning to experience and will encounter in the years to come. It is also easy to lose perspective of our purpose in society and the obligations which we owe ourselves. We have suddenly become overwhelmed by situations that were once alien to our lives. Things that we knew were there and would someday have to face, but which we never dared prepare for. We've run into a mountain, reality, which has no pity on our condition and receives everybody with a cold grin. If we are emotionally and academically prepared, we will be ready to start climbing, without wasting our time looking for a way around or waiting for a shove from a neighbor. It is time to say our farewells, and to, one last time, contemplate over acquaintances made-friends lost. It's all right to cry; but unless our tears come from happiness of accomplishment, we are short from ready to be independent. Wishing for an encore of our memories would only make us feel cheated. Memories are special and a replay will only take away the magic and warmth.

My school years have been both colorful and dreary. I have learned much about myself, and am eager to continue learning. But for now, as I near the end of my senior year, I would like to thank HIM for teaching me about the word that is most synonymous to HIS name. -LOVE.



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Well the last and final 3 years of my high school life have just about come to an end. Even though this has been a very fast and fun filled year for me, the memories will linger for a life time. The friendships I have made and the relationships that became more meaningful are imprints in the pages of my mind. The biggest highlight and most memorable one I will remember will have been being a member of the Bear's Tale staff and the Bear Memories staff which put this big book of never ending treasures together. One word sizes it all up for the Journalism Junkies "Family". And who might I say is responsible for this kind of magic that works? Mr. Armando Rodriguez (Rodney), a great teacher, a humane individual, but most of all a true friend.

I would also like to thank the following special people for soothing the path this past year: Iliana Alanis, Ben Garza, Isaac Garza, Johnny Martinez Jr., Jerry Munoz, Rey Rivera, Yvette Thornburg, Sonny Villarreal, Danny Villarreal, Pete Zuniga, and last but not least my family. I love ya all!!!

Well, looks like we made it - SRS '86! It seems like only yesterday that I was walking into E-103 for my first day of Photojournalism - as a Sophomore. The years have gone by right before our eyes and though we may have lost a friend or two along the way. Their memories will always be alive in our hearts. You always hear of people saying they wish they were out of high school, however; as we look back, our high school years are those we treasure most. Thanks to all my friends, my Senior has been a blast! Rod - Thanks for your laughs, screams, "your pages are due", endless deadlines, and especially your friendship! Castillo - What can I say? Thanks for everything "Dad"! To the Varsity and Mrs. Cantu - "Friends we are and friends we'll always be, TOGETHER we all CHEERED so faithfully. CHEERLEADERS we'll always be - 'til we meet again! I'll miss you ALL!" To my cousins O.J. (Soph.), Belinda (Soph.) and Isaac (Jr.) - enjoy yourselves 'cause you'll be graduating "tomorrow"! Annie G., Richard E., Jackie S., Romeo G. - we made it! A special Thanks to Romeo - Luv ya lots! I'll always cherish my 3-1-derful years at PSJA and the famous E-103! Good Luck Srs. '86!

The end of my Senior year is devastating. For me the end really means the beginning, the beginning of my adulthood. Being in Journalism for two years has really helped my outlook on life. I can now step away from a situation & look at it objectively then I can make my decision about it. Though many times I felt frustrated about the yearbook & the newspaper. I don't know what I would have done without them both. Not only did I learn about layouts & how to write captions & copy, how to print pictures and develop film, but I was associated with a group of other people who care about one another & the work they put out. These people whom I associated with day in & day out, came to be my closest friends & in a way my second family. Many times fights broke out, tears were shed & hearts were broken, but many more times there were laughs & pranks & heart warming moments (especially during Christmas time) that made up for all the bad things that happened. These guys shared in some of my deepest moments emotions & problems. I want you all to know & always remember that I love you all. Thanks Rey, Johnny, Iliana, Jackie, Sonny, Isaac, Danny, Jerry, & Pac for all your support and smiles. A special thanks to Fred, my Editor in Chief but most important my friend. Thank you so much Rod for not only being a teacher, an advisor but a friend as well. Ben you taught me so many things about life & myself. Although I may never understand you completely, Ben know that I'll always love you. Many sincere thanks to my parents for putting up with my terrible antics. With this final farewell I'd like to thank my teachers, especially Ms. Laurel and Mr. Sandoval. Farewell PSJA High School. See you in ten years, seniors '86.

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At the beginning of this year much was to be decided. At first I felt that I would have plenty of time to get things done but as soon as this year commenced it seemed as if though I could never get my head above all these things that had to be done from scholarship applications to my copy in the yearbook, I feel that this year has come true for me thanks to my parents and my brother Joey and my sisters Cyndie and Chris, without them I could not have made it. Thank you and I Love You! Also, this year friendship has meant the most to me because when we walk the last line in the commencements we also walk the last time with our friends. After this we will go our separate ways and become an Individual in an ever changing society. To you all especially Iza and Ana a special thanks and an I Love you for being you. I would also like to thank all those teachers who put up with me in their class especially those I had my Jr. year for being understanding during my mother's illness. I would like to thank Mr. A. Rod., Susan T., Gracie G., Eddie G., Oltra M., Ric T., Laurie I., Nelly C., Janie C., Jon L., Leroy and Eloy - May God bless you and a special thanks to my sis Cyndie for everything.

I LOVE YOU ALL.

It's finally here, my last year in high school, the chance to make it on my own is finally at hand. My Senior year was great, it was alot better than I had anticipated, thanks to all of my teachers and friends. Being a senior really helped my become a more responsible, and more caring person. I would like to thank Rod for being a great advisor, and friend. A big thanks goes to Jerry J., Ric T., and Kay G. for all their help. An extra special thanks to my friends and assistant editors Melinda Garza, Tena Sabala, and Norma Vela. To my best friend, Joe Cano, Thanks for being there when I needed someone to talk to. To Gracie Gonzalez, you know I'm graduating, so you can stop calling me dummy. To my friends Arturo A., Javier O., Yolie M., Gracie G., Danny S., and Jon L. thanks for being the people that you are, but most importantly thank you for making my senior year the best one ever. Last but not least to my family whom I Love very much, thanks for your support, guidance, and understanding. Also to the Class of '86, we've come a long way, and have waited a long time before we graduated, but all of the waiting was worth it. Now we must start new lives, plan new goals, and meet new people.

Teaching Journalism here at PSJA High school is hard to describe. There is so much going on besides getting the yearbook and newspaper out so everybody can be satisfied. For me this year is a special one, because this year's Seniors were actually my first students. They were sophomores when I began teaching here. My students grew up three years, but I grew old three years. I taught them, I put up with them, I respected them, I gave them my advice, I saw them more than my own children and family, I went out with them, I even learned from them. That is an accomplishment and I enjoyed it. For all those Seniors that I know, they will be very special to me. The juniors and sophomores as my students are just as special. I cannot begin to realize that teaching students is not the only factor, but the communication and understanding is needed as well. I love being a teacher here, and I love Journalism. It's in my blood and I wouldn't trade it for the world. There are several people I would like to Thank. Mr. Alanis and Mr. Ramos for their patience, Mr. Owings for his advice. Thank you for understanding as well. Fred V. I don't know how you put up with me for three years, but I'm glad you did. Thanks for everything. Jackie, Yvette, Iliana, Norma, Olga, Melinda, Laura, my angels, I will miss you. Johnny, Rey, Sonny, Jerry, I need your understanding, but thanks for the laughs. To all my Journalism students who took my classes I hope you learned something from me. Last but not least, to my wife Susie, son Danny and daughter Annabelle, what can I say, but thank you for your support.



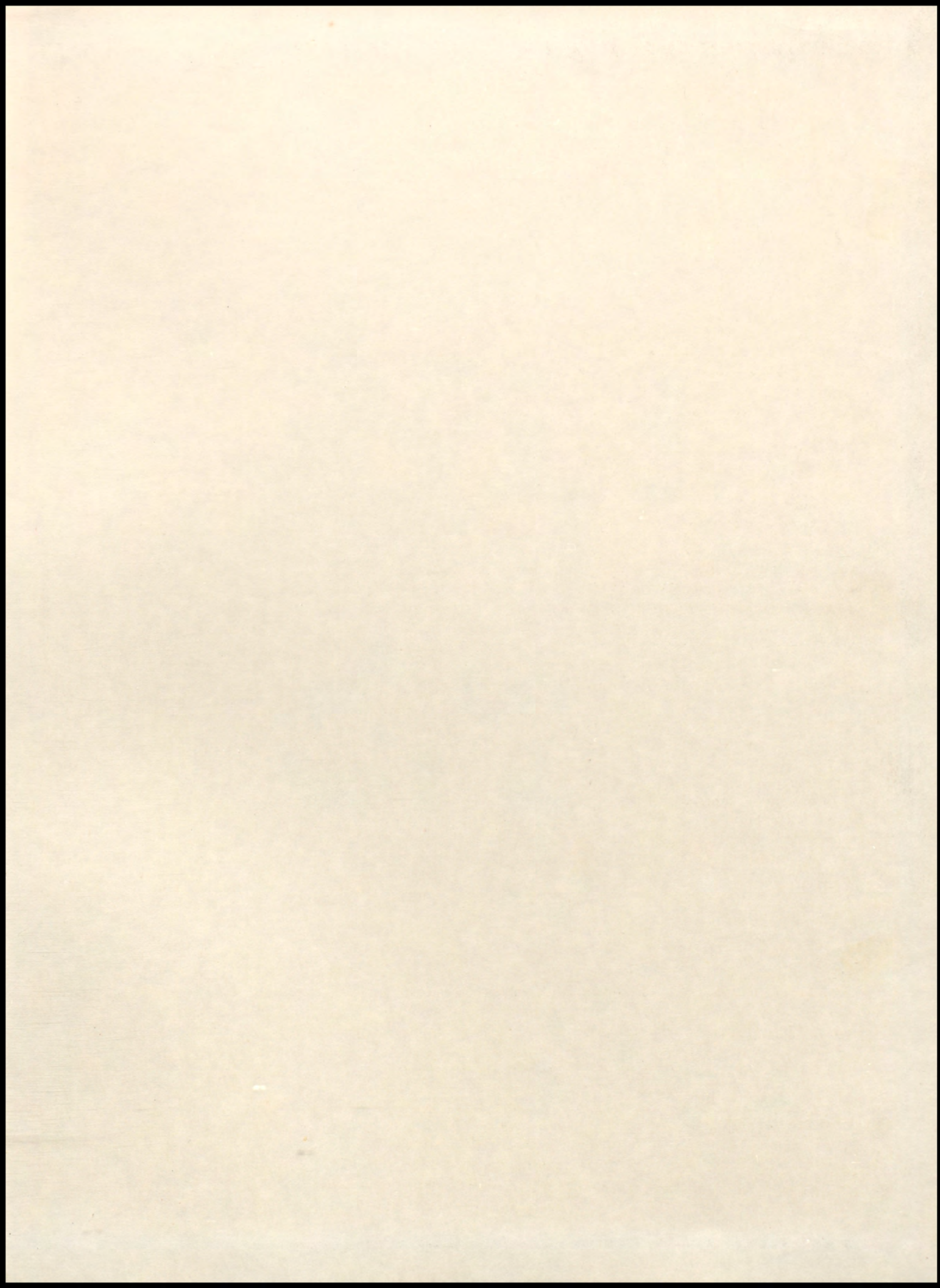
# HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU THEN ... AND NOW ... 1985-86

For Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School, the school year, 1985-86, was just another trivial pursuit year. Although for many it was the end, for some it was the beginning, and to others it meant having to learn it all. Several events swept the halls of PSJA High School marking incredible and unbelievable dramas. The year began with a chill. Several students displayed their talent by attending ever tiring practice sessions. The Bear Band practiced well into the summer heat, like the Bearettes and Cheerleaders, sweating it all off like crazy. The volleyball girls kept hitting the ball again and again. Football players were swept into the hands of head-coach Charlie Williams, who coached the Bears during the 1960's. The Cross Country team kept running around the valley. A lot of students were soon hit by the famous 'No Pass No Play Rule'. By the end of the six weeks it had thrown several students into bitter disappointments. They couldn't participate in any extra-curricular activities merely for the failure of one class. By the middle of the first semester some PSJA students were in shape to perform some outstanding contributions. However, to others it was a bitter discouragement. The football team had a disappointing season with 6 wins and 4 losses. However, the sophomores captured a district championship, as well as the volleyball girls team who with their endurance, dedication, and determination became district winners. For the first time the yearbook staff won a prestigious award at San Angelo, TX. during a yearbook workshop. The award was, 'Best Theme Development'. Again, like every year the drama department put on a wild and exciting children's show, "Willy Wonka and the Concolate Factory", drawing more than five thousand elementary school children; still not many high school students attended. However, community response was overwhelming. Overcrowding at campus was unbearable. Every building on campus was intolerable, mainly because students complained. Either there were too many sophomores, or then again, too many students and not enough room to fit everybody comfortable in. The cafeteria staff never ceased to make enough meals for students, even though many students managed to slip by to eat at

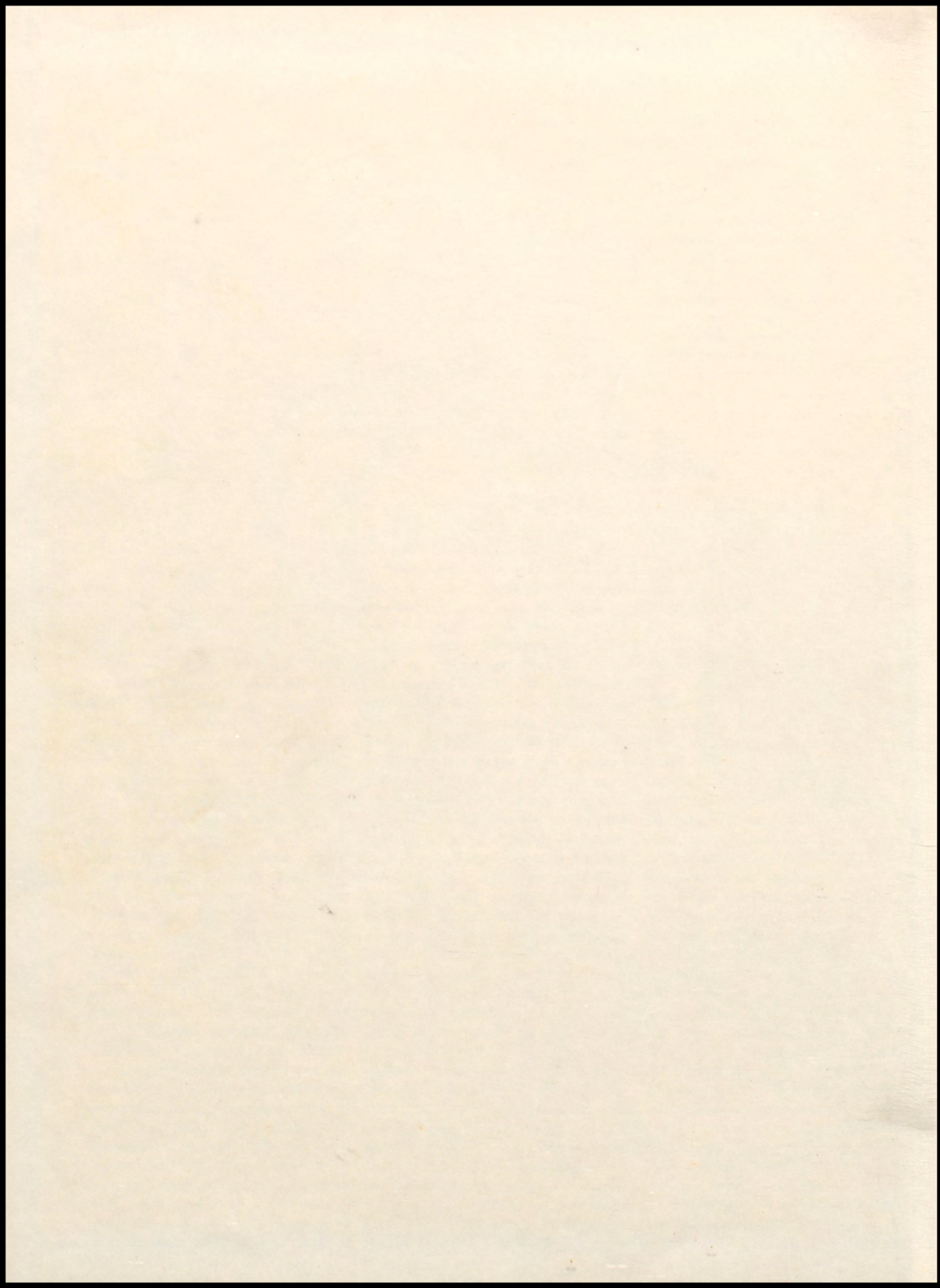
Mazzio's or at Sonic. The student newspaper, *The Bear's Tale*, at times sold out. To many students, it was a treasure, to others it wasn't worth buying. The basketball team couldn't pull off a district championship, but yet managed to have several opponnent upsets. Tragedy struck several students during the Christmas Holidays when one member of the Senior Class was killed in an automobile accident. For many, the loss was tremendous but the encouragement and support by other students was inspiring. Vandalism still plagued P.S.J.A. High School in every building. The administration building and library were hit hard every time. While the famous "Zorro's" managed to constantly mark the restrooms. They put the custodians to work overtime. Even without the help of students, the janitors still managed to keep the campus as clean as possible. As for the faculty and administrations staff, their patience, understanding, and dedication towards teaching was impressive. More than 175 teachers made up the team to teach 2,800 students, while the administration staff was at least 100. Both also faced the undesired TECAT (Texas Examination of Current Administrators and Teachers) that was taken on Monday, March 10. Many teachers were for it, while most saw it as an insult. Opinions were always spoken, yet there was never a correct answer to it. It's purpose simply, was to make sure the professional was competent. But how much knowledge does the professional have to absorb to prove he is competent? Was the test in the long run even worth it? Again the opinions by many was spoken, but not accepted. There were old faces as well as new faces in the administration staff. Mr. S. Owings as curriculum facilitator brought much help. One of the seven assistant principals, Miss H. Garza, gave so much of her time, advice, and work for several years, that she decided that this year she was to retire. Not only Miss Garza was to retire but counselor, Mrs. Thomas, shed considerable energy, advice, dedication, and support to many students. Her help was neverending and overwhelming. Both will be missed considerably for their part in educating students. 250 members make up the administration staff here at P.S.J.A. However, once again, like every

year, only a portion take their picture. Why? Is it because they are getting older? Are their features not the same "I'm not dressed properly, my hair is not combed." Whatever the case or reason may be, some of the teachers aren't photogenic. On the other hand, some teachers love to take pictures. In conclusion, although there are still many events not mentioned, the year 1985-86 was a terrific year. For some of the seniors, the pep-rallies were boring, mainly because most of them didn't go. On the contrary the juniors (who couldn't wait to be seniors) were full of spirit. The sophomores however, were totally outnumbered both the senior and junior classes stood in amazement not knowing what's going on. The overcrowding will still be around for the next two years until the brand new high school, which will be constructed to fit the overpopulated campus, is finished. Some students don't like the idea of a new high school. Others thought it was about time. Sooner or later students must realize that drastic changes will someday affect them. Seniors will never again have to hear: "TLV . . . . ." but for teachers, will they? The faculty also faced numerous changes, such as evaluations, lesson plans, and being competent. Trying to communicate and understand teenagers is essential. Giving them support as well as listening to them is very important. As the old term is said, "work with them, not against them." And in conclusion (conclusion) all 1985-86 Seniors, Juniors, and Saphomores, and let not forget teachers, were all exciting, thrilling, boring, restless, loving, ridiculous, sad, religious, photogenic, understanding, smart, loyal, confused, uncontrollable, trustworthy, reliable, eager, unbearable, bias, impressive, capable, lonely, grateful, greedy, gorgeous, flexible, super, selfish, forgettable, foolish, extraordinary, decent, desirable, cheerful, respectful, precious, one of a kind, an endangered species, terrific, knowledgeable, obsessed, mysterious, miserable, adventurous, mindless, full of life, responsible, active, competent, incompetent, heroes, losers, generous, frustrated, sensitive, serious, mature, childish, outgoing, athletic, average, workaholics, memorable, happy . . . . .

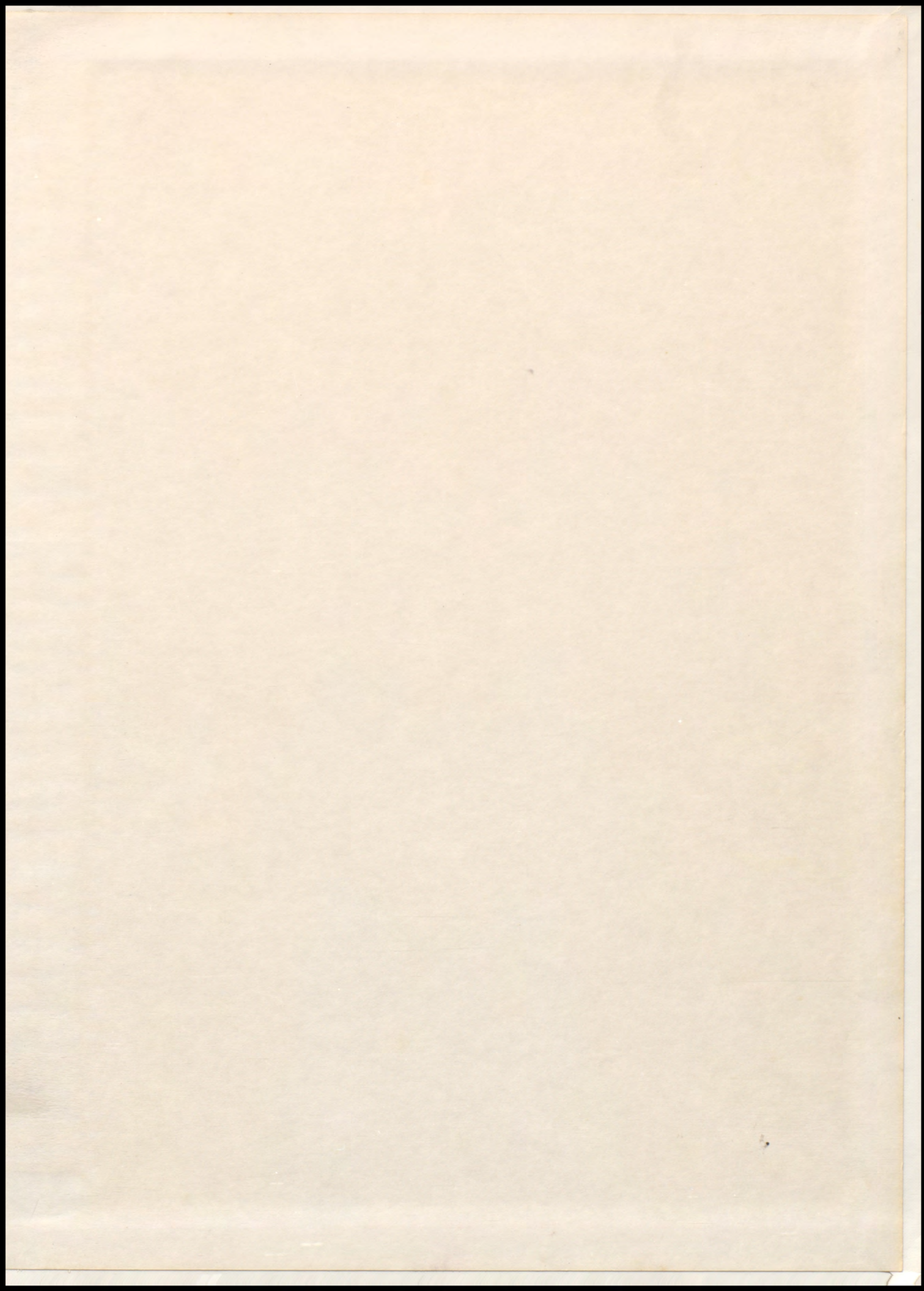














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